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# KGB defector exposes Soviet spy net and sabotage plans BRITAIN TO EXPEL 105 RUSSIANS

## Two weeks to get out

By VINCENT RYDER, Diplomatic Correspondent

BRITAIN expelled 90 Russian diplomats and officials yesterday for spying, forbade the return of 15 others temporarily out of the country and put a limit on the numbers of officials the Soviet Government may station in London.

The drastic action came after the defection of a senior agent of the K G B intelligence service earlier this month and his disclosure of plans to infiltrate saboteurs and more spies into Britain.

The revelations of the agent—who has not been named—brought to the boil a major row that had been brewing in London for more than a year. London had become a hive of Russian intelligence activity, including efforts to get hold of military secrets and a mass of secret technical information, such as details of Concorde.

Direct private complaints and appeals for restraint by Sir Alec Douglas-Home, Foreign Secretary, to Mr Gromyko, Soviet Foreign Minister, brought no response. The conclusion in London was that the KGB carried more weight in Moscow than the Foreign Ministry.

### FOREIGN OFFICE MEETING

On Sir Alec's instructions, Sir Denis Greenhill, Permanent Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, called in Mr Ivan Ippolitov, Soviet Chargé d'Affaires, yesterday, and told him 90 of the 550 diplomats and officials would have to leave within two weeks.

The 15 others on the list, now on leave or trips out of Britain, would not be allowed back. In future, said Sir Denis, the number of Soviet officials allowed at the Embassy, the trade delegation and other official organisations would be restricted to the number left after the expulsions.

Every time a diplomat or official was expelled for spying, the number permitted in his category would be reduced by one.

### REPRISALS EXPECTED

Short of breaking off diplomatic relations, the Government could hardly have taken more drastic action. The departure of the 105 with their wives and children means that they will be sent home by the plane load.

Reprisals are almost inevitable. The Foreign Office has braced itself for expulsion of some of the 40 diplomats and 58 other officials at the Embassy in Moscow. Plans for Sir Alec to visit Moscow early next year, completed except for final agreement on dates, are now in doubt.

He can expect an angry meeting with Mr Gromyko at the United Nations next week. Sir Alec flies to New York today. Sir John Killick, the new Ambassador in Moscow, who presented his credentials on Monday to Mr Podgorny, the Soviet President, will have a rough passage in his first few months.

Foreign Office officials said they still hoped for better relations with Moscow after removal of what was described in some quarters as the spying "cancer" in Anglo-Soviet relations.

The outlook is bleak, but it is possible that the Soviet Government will first retaliate then settle down to coldly correct relations. It can hardly afford to have a drawn-out quarrel with Britain when it seems anxious to complete the Berlin agreement and see an early start made on organising a European security conference.

### Tolerance abused

In an aide memoire handed to Mr Ippolitov by Sir Denis Greenhill, the Government said: "The Soviet Government can hardly fail to be conscious of the contradictions between their advocacy of a conference on European security and the scale of operations against the security of this country which Soviet officials and agents controlled by them have conducted."

Britain's tolerance of the growth of the Soviet trade mission and other official organisations had been abused and spy-

## Concorde secrets at risk

By Air Cdre E. M. Donaldson  
Air Correspondent

THE Russians have been showing a more than unusually keen interest in technical details of Concorde and its Rolls-Royce engines which have proved extremely reliable and effective in operation.

It is also known that Russia has been having some trouble with the development of the TU 144 supersonic airliner. When I met Mr Tupolev, designer of the TU 144 at this year's Paris Air Show, I was surprised to learn how far the Russian plane still had to go in its trials before it would be ready for service.

The Russians, until then, had claimed the TU 144 a year or two in advance of Concorde in her development. Yet Mr Tupolev told me that Russia had only one supersonic plane flying at that time whereas Britain and France had two Concorde flying with a third about to take to the air soon.

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Something must have held back the TU 144's programme for it was first in the air and the first to go supersonic long before a Concorde took off or flew faster than sound.

Full technical details of Concorde would allow the Russians to check through all its calculations and figures on the TU 144 and see mistakes and how to rectify them.

Also Britain and France have introduced many new manufacturing techniques to build a reliable plane.

These techniques would be most useful to learn. Many parts of Concorde are manufactured by new computerised techniques which save time and money and make for greater safety.

## RUSSIA STAYS SILENT ON EXPULSIONS

By Our Staff Correspondent in Moscow

The 92 British Embassy personnel in Moscow learned of the expulsions of Russians from London late yesterday afternoon.

Late last night, however, there was still no reference to the affair in Russian newspapers, on radio or TV. Soviet reaction to the expulsions is unlikely for a day or two.

More than 200 British citizens employed in non-diplomatic work, including Press, TV and radio correspondents as well as scientists, engineers and workers on various Soviet projects, were told to carry on as usual when they contacted the British Embassy.

## LONDON FEAR OF TRADE 'FREEZE'

By Our City Staff

Another trade "freeze" was being forecast by businessmen last night after the British move, and there were fears that trade with other iron curtain countries might suffer.

The Government has expressed concern recently at the growing imbalance in Anglo-Soviet trade with a rise in Russian imports not being matched by increased buying of British goods. British exports to Russia, principally machinery, rose from only £96 million in 1969 to £102 million last year.

Imports, including timber, metal ore and furs, jumped from £197 million to £220 million. Several British businessmen are at present in Russia, and while there was no apprehension about their safety, the prospects of making deals has been damaged.

## BERLIN SHOOTING

By Our Bonn Staff

East German border guards yesterday fired 50 shots to prevent a dawn escape over the Berlin Wall by two East Germans.



A police guard outside the Intourist and Aeroflot offices in Regent Street yesterday.

PICTURE: ANTHONY HANSELL

## Painting stolen from Queen's collection

By T. A. SANDROCK, Crime Correspondent

A 17th CENTURY painting was stolen yesterday from the Queen's private collection in the Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace Road, a palace annexe. It is valued at about £2,000 and was uninsured.

The picture was taken between 11.30 a.m. and 1.20 p.m. while between 100 and 120 members of the public were viewing the collection. Entitled "Two Pigs Awaiting Slaughter," it was painted and signed by the Dutch artist, Cornelis Saftleven, in 1657.

The painting is 64 x 9 1/2 in. in oils on a wood panel. The thief removed the two screws with which it was fastened to a wall by a staircase leading from the ground floor to a gallery. It was the lowest painting on the wall.

Ninety-five paintings from the Royal collection were on display, all by Dutch artists, including six by Rembrandt. The value of "Two Pigs Awaiting Slaughter" is one of the lowest of the pictures.

### Two theories

Police are considering two possibilities. They think it may have been taken because:

- 1—It was among the easiest to steal; and
- 2—It dealt with pigs, a hippy term of abuse for the police, so it was hoped to embarrass the force by stealing it.

In fact, police are not responsible for guarding the collection. The gallery has its own custodians, two of whom were believed to be on duty in the building at the time of the theft.

It is possible that the thief wore a uniform or overall coat so that anyone who saw him would think him a member of the staff.

The painting was bought by King George IV in 1814. It was part of the Baring collection. Buckingham Palace said last night that paintings in the Royal palaces were insured only when in transit.

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## Today's Weather

GENERAL SITUATION: Weak ridge of high pressure will become established over the British Isles. LONDON, S.E. CNT. S. S.W. ENGLAND, E. ANGLIA, E. W. MIDLANDS: Cloudy, occasional rain, bright periods. Wind variable light. Max. 64F (18C). E., N.W. CNT., N. E. ENGLAND, S., N. WALES, LARG DIST: Cloudy, mostly dry, bright periods after early mist or fog. Wind variable light. 59F (15C).

## WALL STREET

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## SPEEDWAY RESULTS

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## China's disgraced president escapes

By CLARE HOLLINGWORTH in Hongkong

CHINA'S disgraced former President, Liu Shao Chi, deposed during the Cultural Revolution, has escaped from house arrest in Peking.

According to the latest reports from Canton he was assisted by the Army Chief of Staff, General Huang Yong sheng, who is now being questioned.

As soon as it was known on September 22 that Liu was missing from his rooms in the heavily guarded west wing of the Chung Nam Hoi is rambling Peking palace in whose east wing Chairman Mao and his wife Chiang Ching live, all civil and military aircraft were grounded in an effort to prevent him fleeing the country.

### Unlikely allies

The present bitter struggle for power in Peking is causing apparently unlikely people to become allies.

No partnership is more bizarre than that between Liu, who has been officially termed "a scab" and "the man who attempted to imitate the Soviet Union policies initiated by Khrushchev," and General Huang, who rose during the Cultural Revolution from a provincial army commander to Chief of the General Staff.

The radical general is known to have been attempting to assume increasing power in the defence forces at the expense of the more moderate Marshal Lin Biao, Mao's chosen successor, who has not been seen in public in recent weeks.

Chou En lai's appearance at Peking airport on Thursday last, when he was merely greeting a party of Cambodians who had been touring China, was made to demonstrate to China and the world that he at least is still the powerful Prime Minister.

Further, it is believed in Hongkong that Chou inspired the strong denunciation of the United States bombing of North Vietnam which was made in an official communiqué by the Foreign Office in Peking yesterday.

This serves as a warning to President Nixon that at best his visit to China will have no chance of success if the bombing is repeated, and indeed the invitation may still be withdrawn.

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### HOTEL CLOSURES

The Grand Central Hotel, Belfast, one of the largest in Ulster, with 200 rooms, is to close on September 26, making more than 100 staff redundant. A spokesman said yesterday the political troubles had hit them hard.

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## Nasser's secret eye on Britain

PRESIDENT NASSER'S intelligence on British moves during the Suez crisis of 1956 was worth a lot to him, Mohammed Heikal, Nasser's friend and adviser, whose political biography of his leader is appearing in The Sunday Telegraph, reveals tomorrow how good it was.

Nasser had information on the state of British forces in Cyprus and Malta from his friends there. The American C.I.A. gave him reports on Eden's moods and behaviour during the affair.

He even had an eye-witness account of what happened in No. 10 Downing Street on the night he took his revenge on the West for withdrawing the Aswan High Dam money by nationalising the Canal.

So confident was he that at the height of the crisis he simply went to the pictures. Nasser's view of Suez appears in The Sunday Telegraph tomorrow.

## SLAP IN THE FACE FOR BRANDT

By DAVID SHEARS in Bonn

A YOUNG member of the West German Right-wing National Democratic Party yesterday slapped Chancellor Brandt in the face and yelled: "That's for your policy towards the East."

Herr Brandt had just given a television interview in front of the Munich headquarters of the organising committee for next year's Olympics, when Viktor Gisin, 24, sprang at him from a group of reporters and photographers.

After hitting the Chancellor he was grabbed by Dr Manfred Schreiber, the Munich police chief. He was placed under arrest, despite pleas by Herr Brandt to "leave him alone—he's a fanatic."

## ICI MAN CHOSEN AS POWER CHIEF

By Our Business Correspondent

Mr Peter Menzies, 59, a deputy chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries, is to be the next chairman of the Electricity Council. His £20,000 a year salary will be less than half his present earnings of about £45,000 a year.

Mr Menzies will succeed Sir Norman Elliott, 66, on April 1. It was also announced yesterday that Mr Arthur Hawkins, 58, will take over as £17,500 a year chairman of the Central Electricity Generating Board on July 1. City Details—P17

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## SPY-MECCA OF THE WORLD

STEPHEN CONSTANT Communist Affairs Staff  
FOR many years, Britain has been the favourite meeting ground for the KGB, the Soviet secret line.

The number of Soviet officials, fifth of whom are known to agents, reached about 550 years from 1953 in 1950, making Britain the Russian spy-cave of the world.

There are more Soviet officials in Britain than in any other country in the West, more than in the United States, if all officials at the United States are excluded.

Their formidable array of agents is supplemented by many agents from other Communist countries in Eastern Europe. The latter are controlled by the KGB.

Main centre London is considered to be the main centre abroad for espionage against the U.S. Apart from its main role in the military field, agents in Britain have intruded on vital industrial sites.

Recent top-priority targets in the KGB have been the ring of technical details of Concorde and the Olympus engine.

Other targets have been electronic computer circuits and secret information on all aspects of computer science. Activities of these agents, spread variously as diplomats, social representatives, and led Britain in 1960 to the immediate recall of officials detected in espionage. In addition, over that period, refused visa applications of 10 identified Russian intelligence officers.

168, following the conviction of Chief Technician in Britain, found guilty of highly secret information to Soviet intelligence used on Back P., Col. 6

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# 'SECRET LIST' OF TOWNS FOR IMMIGRANTS

By JOHN KEIP, Social Services Correspondent  
**EXISTENCE** of a "secret" list of towns earmarked to take immigrants in a Government plan to disperse people from overcrowded city slums is to be questioned by MPs.

The list has been circulated by the Immigration Control Association, which claims to have overheard two civil servants discussing it in a crossed line conversation at the Home Office.

## RACIAL BIAS BEGINS AT 3 SAYS MP

By Our Education Correspondent

**CHILDREN** of three and four are already racially prejudiced, reflecting their parents' views, says Miss Joan Lester, Labour MP for Eton and Slough, and formerly Under-Secretary for Education.

Writing in this month's *Child Education*, Miss Lester says that views expressed in the *Playden* report that "experienced primary school teachers do not think colour prejudice causes much difficulty" and that white and coloured children readily accepted each other, were not correct.

"Typically, these statements are more optimistic than they are true," writes Miss Lester, herself a primary school teacher. "Children learn their early attitudes from their parents."

At a school where she taught, a white girl said she told a "West Indian boy" who had "pleased his teeth" to her: "Don't be silly, I can't marry a darkie."

Prejudice denied  
 Miss Lester said yesterday, in an interview with the *Teachers' Journal* of the National Union of Teachers: "The problem is how to combat what the child learns from his parents."

"The whole thing must be brought out into the open, because if parents are prejudiced even when they obviously are."

## HOME LOAN RATE CUT BY COUNCIL

Birmingham Corporation, Conservative-controlled, yesterday cut the interest rate on home loans for the first time in eight years. The cut is from 3½ per cent to 3 per cent, for borrowers buying pre-1919 houses and also tenants who want to buy their council houses.

The source of the leak is regarded as far from firm evidence that the Home Office has already drawn up a dispersal plan.

But several influential MPs think that the Ministry may be preparing to encourage dispersal from city "ghettos."

### Detailed study

Mr William Deedes, Conservative MP for Ashford, Kent, and chairman of the Commons Select Committee on Race Relations, said yesterday that if such a proposal existed it would certainly not be out of line with Government policy.

Only last week Mr Deedes' Committee, after a detailed examination of immigrant housing conditions and needs, urged the Government to make an early appraisal of what was needed to enable immigrants to find work in new expanding towns and to move out of city centres.

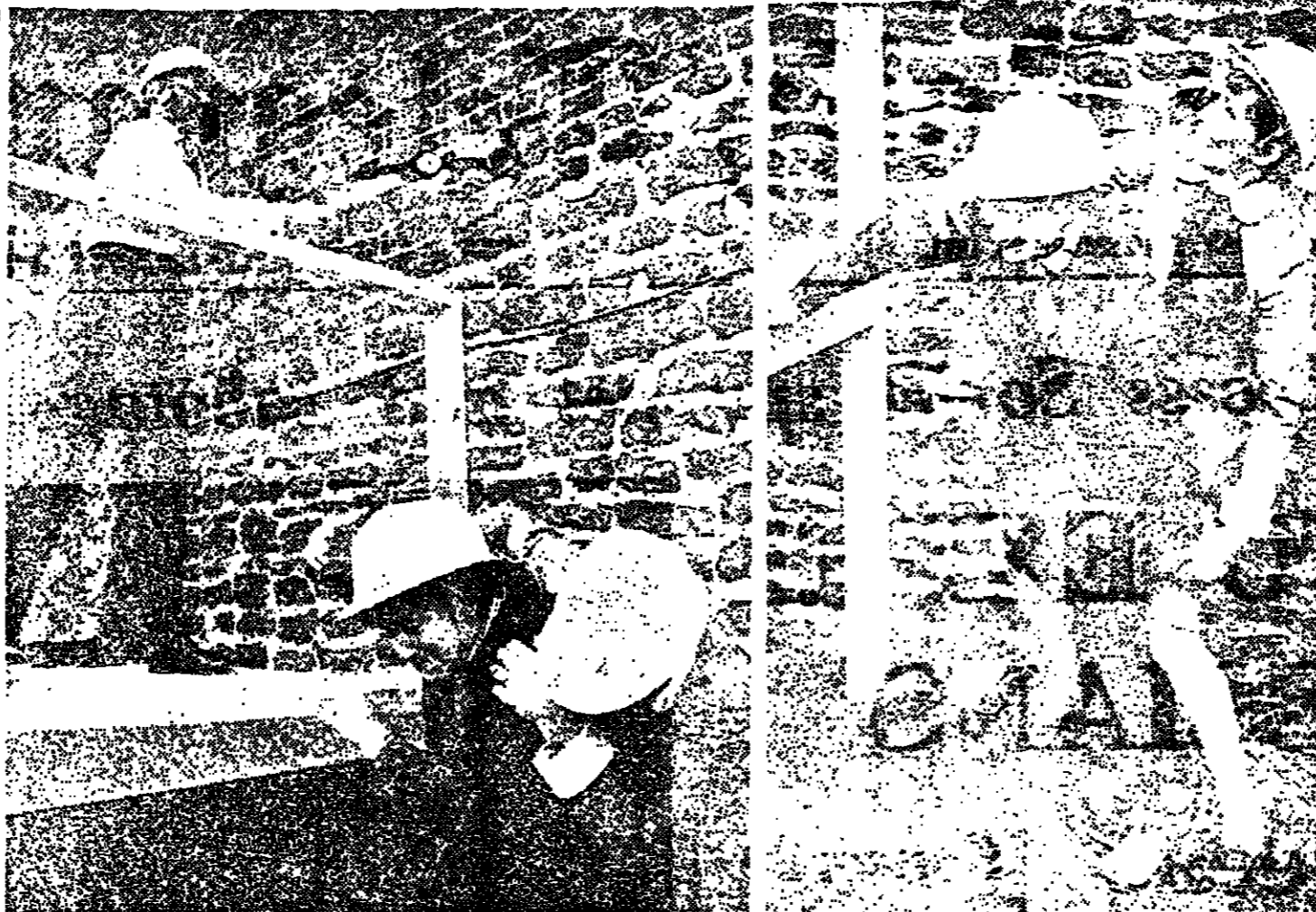
Large local authorities were advised to appoint welfare officers specially to deal with the dispersal of immigrants from slum clearance areas.

Among the towns mentioned in the overheard conversation were: Ashford, Barnstaple, Bournemouth, Bromley, Chard, Chelmsford, Corby, Crawley, Deal, Dorking, Eufield, Gillingham, Harlow, Haringate, Letchworth, Liscard, Leamington, Mansfield, Middlesbrough, Milton Keynes, Peterborough, Rugeley, Salisbury, Southampton, Stevenage, Stroud, Sudbury, Theford, Weybridge, Wellingborough, Witney (Oxford) and Wilton.

In some cases the name given could refer to towns in a number of different counties. The right one was not specified.

Encouraged to settle  
 The Immigration Control Association supports in its annual report that the list represents the names of towns to which immigrants would be dispersed or encouraged to settle, and to which they might be directed if the proposed Immigration Bill becomes law.

Mr Frederick Burden, Conservative MP for Gillingham, one of the towns on the list, said yesterday that he intended to find out from the Home Office if there was anything in the list which is now also being circulated by the National Front.



## 11.4 pc SWING TO LABOUR

By Our Political Staff

**THE** Government can gain little comfort from the Widnes by-election result, declared just before 1 a.m. yesterday, which showed a 11.4 per cent swing to Labour.

Labour held the seat with a majority of 12,661, an increase of 5,118 on its General Election lead.

The result, declared shortly before 1 a.m., General Election figures in italics) was:

G. OAKES (Lab.)	22,850	26,564
D. STANLEY (C)	10,318	20,641
Lab. maj.	12,661	7,543

No change.

The result confirms the fears of leading Conservative politicians that there has been little, if any improvement in the Government's standing over the summer holidays. But Ministers had already been resigned to a long run of unpopularity and bad by-election results.

Labour was obviously delighted with the Widnes result and now has high hopes of winning the by-election next Thursday at Macclesfield, normally a Conservative stronghold.

### RIPFON MEETING

Mr Rippon, Britain's chief Common Market negotiator, met the Italian Prime Minister, Signor Colombo, in Rome yesterday for discussing on European problems and the world monetary crisis.—Reuter.

## Cut-price conveyance curb may go

By OUR LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

**LORD HAILSHAM**, Lord Chancellor, has decided to press for abolition of a Law Society rule preventing solicitors undercutting statutory scale charges for the buying and selling houses.

He is soon to summon a meeting of the Statutory Committee, which fixes conveyancing fees, to consider abolition of the price-cutting restriction and selective cuts in present conveyancing fees that have been recommended by the now-defunct Prices and Incomes Board.

Lord Hailsham has for long been known to hold the view that the professional rule requiring adherence to scale fees is an "undesirable restrictive practice." Restrictions on price cutting in the professions was also condemned in a Monopolies Commission report last October.

In its three reports on solicitors' pay the Prices and Incomes Board said that scale charges should be treated as maxima and that solicitors should be free to charge less if they found a transaction took less time than expected.

The board found that solicitors were making excessive profits from conveyancing and in its final report last April said

the profession's estimated earnings from conveyancing of £120 million a year should be cut by £10 million.

It proposed cuts for houses with unregistered title in the £4,000 to £9,400 price bracket ranging from 4 per cent, £4,000 to 16 per cent, at £20,000. This would reduce the present fee for a £3,000 house from 567.50 to 265 and on a £10,000 house from 1,105 to 520.

Other cuts proposed were on fees for arranging mortgages and where one solicitor acted for both buyer and seller.

The board recommended corresponding increases in fees for registered properties in the £1,500 to £9,400 price-range so that the registered fee would become 75 per cent, rather than the present two-thirds of the unregistered fee. But above £9,500 registered fees would also be cut.

Solicitors through their professional organisation, the Law Society, have so far resisted the demands to allow price-cutting on the grounds that it would be against the public interest by encouraging cut-price work and that the provision of professional services cannot be compared with commercial transactions.

### Calls fought off

They have also fought off earlier calls by the board for reduced fees for transferring houses in the middle-price bracket, although they have been paid increases that the board recommended for county court work and for conveyances of cheaper property.

Members of the Statutory Committee, which sits under the chairmanship of the Lord Chancellor, are Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Denning, the Master of the Rolls, the president of the Law Society and the president of one local law society.

### BBC JOURNALIST TO GET BACK FORMER STATUS

By Our TV and Radio Staff  
 Mr Fergus MacKenzie, the BBC journalist who was downgraded for writing an article in the *Spectator* without the corporation's permission, is to be restored to his former status and salary in February.

The National Union of Journalists, which had appealed on Mr MacKenzie's behalf, was told yesterday of the revised decision. The union considered the BBC action excessive in relation to the offence.

Mr MacKenzie, 45, a chief sub-editor on the news staff earning £4,000 a year, wrote his article in the form of an open letter to Mrs Golda Meir, Prime Minister of Israel, attacking her country. He was downgraded to senior sub-editor with a salary reduction of £500 a year.

### COURT REBUKE FOR 'LAZY' BRITISH RAIL

British Rail was criticised by the Clerkenwell magistrate, Mr J. Denis Purcell, yesterday after he was told that his official was in court to claim £25 compensation for two cartons of shirts which a warehouse manager admitted stealing at Euston.

He said: "If nobody from British Rail can be bothered to claim for what has been stolen from them, then I can't make a compensation order. But it is hardly surprising that their business methods are not very successful."

The warehouse manager Raymond King, 29, of Kingsland Road, Hackney, was fined £50.

## TORY CALL ON CIVIL LIBERTIES

Daily Telegraph Reporter

**GREAT**ER LONDON Young Conservatives are being urged to break their links with the National Council for Civil Liberties "because the association is incompatible."

Mr J. Swerling, a member and former chairman of the St Marylebone Young Conservatives, has a motion calling for the break on the agenda of today's half-yearly council meeting of the Greater London Young Conservatives.

He said last night: "By this affiliation we are identifying ourselves with and supporting causes to which we are not and should not be party."

The National Council for Civil Liberties is being more widely accepted as a national non-political action group on the issues of the day when in fact they are an organisation deeply rooted in the causes of the Left.

### Substantial support

In a 4,000-word dossier for delegates Mr Swerling claims: "The large number of Left-wingers, including many Communists who have at various times been elected to the executive of the council, suggests that it never has been and indeed is not a body susceptible to Conservative influence."

Leaders of the Greater London Young Conservatives admitted yesterday that there was some substantial support among members for disaffiliation, but they were confident Mr Swerling's motion would be defeated.

One of them said the likely vote would be two to one against the motion.

Mr Swerling, a member of the Monday Club said it was difficult to substantiate any identification of interest of any Conservative group with the council. While it was possible to co-operate on a specific project, such as the council's computer data-bank campaign there were a whole range of political issues the Conservative party and the council were irreconcilable.

This year alone for instance the council has attacked the Government's Industrial Relations Bill, its Immigration Bill and its Northern Ireland policy.

Mr Swerling claimed that in the 37-year history of the council he could not find a single political issue to which it had lent its name and to which the Conservative party would at that point in time have given its unqualified support.

### Inaccurate dossier

Mr Tony Smythe, secretary of the National Council for Civil Liberties, said yesterday: "Mr Swerling's dossier contains many inaccuracies and is remarkable for what it omits."

"It is going to be a bad thing if the work and the voice of the council are impaired by this sort of ill-informed and ill-motivated campaign."

"We would deeply regret losing the affiliation of the Young Conservatives."

## Maxwell 'no deep-dyed villain' says QC

By JAMES O'DRISCOLL, High Court Reporter

**COMPLAINTS** by Mr ROBERT MAXWELL, former Labour MP for Buckingham, that he had been treated contrary to "the rules of natural justice" in a Department of Trade inquiry into two companies he formerly controlled were denied in the High Court yesterday.

Mr RAYMOND KIDWELL, QC, for the two inspectors conducting the inquiry, told Mr Justice FROGGE: "His complaints about being treated unfairly are untrue. He has been treated with fairness throughout."

He added, in a reference to the interim report of the inspectors: "Nobody has ever said that Mr Maxwell is a double-dyed villain."

The judge said that one of Mr Maxwell's complaints in his action, was that he had never been given the benefit of the doubt in the interim report.

Mr Kidwell replied that the inspectors, men of high standing and experience, had spent nearly two years on the inquiry and had conducted it fairly throughout.

Mr Maxwell, in his court ac-

# Separate talks will smooth path to tripartite meeting

By DAVID HARRIS, Political Staff

**MR HEATH** is going to have separate talks with Mr Brian Faulkner, Ulster's Premier, and Mr Jack Lynch, Prime Minister of Eire, before the tripartite summit at Chequers next week.

Mr Faulkner will go to Chequers on Sunday evening for preparatory discussions. He will return to London later.

Mr Lynch is expected to arrive for his bi-lateral talks on Monday morning. The three prime ministers will then come together later for a summit which will probably end at lunch-time on Tuesday.

It will be the first time that the leaders of Britain, Ulster and Eire have had a meeting for nearly 50 years.

## Smoothen progress

In Government circles it is not thought that Mr Heath is seeing the premiers separately so as to put to them some dramatic new proposals.

Instead, he probably thinks that it will make for smoother progress if he is aware of their latest thinking before the main session starts.

He might be able to clear up points on both sides in advance of the tripartite discussion.

He is almost certain to emphasise to both Mr Faulkner and Mr Lynch his hope that the talks do not get bogged down right away on Northern Ireland's basic constitutional position.

His line will be that they should expect each other's views on the border and concentrate on the areas where they can find agreement.

## NO DEARER POST PROPOSALS YET

There are no proposals yet for any increase in postal charges, a Post Office spokesman said yesterday. "When we have proposals we shall of course put them to the Post Office Users' National Council."

His statement followed warning on Thursday by Mr William Ryland, chairman of the Post Office that "price increases there will have to be in due time."

## SECURITY INCREASED IRA demo fears

Our *CROSS* CORRESPONDENT writes: "Extensive security measures, including the banning of low-flying aircraft, have been prepared for the Chequers meeting. The normal security has been extended because of the fears or possibilities of some sort of IRA demonstration."

The banning of low-flying aircraft has been put into operation under the Navigation Order, 1970. It bans aircraft flying at less than 2,500 ft over Chequers or the vicinity on Sept 27 and 28.

Among other occasions such a ban has been imposed include the funeral of Sir Winston Churchill, the investiture of Prince Charles and a Naval review in the presence of the Queen.

Normal police security measures at Chequers have been increased with the addition of extra Special Branch men and a specially selected team of officers from Scotland Yard, all of whom will be armed.

## FOUR REMANDED AT BLACKPOOL

Four men accused of trying to murder three police officers in Blackpool last month were remanded in custody until next Friday by Blackpool magistrates yesterday. They are also charged with robbing Joseph Lammond of watches and rings valued at more than £100,000, and with possessing firearms.

Accused are Dennis Bond, 45, of Aristotle Road, Clapham; Thomas Flannagan, 43, of Graham Road, Hackney; John Spry, 37, of Overfield Road, Stratham Hill, and Charles Haynes, 45, of Argyle Street, King's Cross. All except Haynes are also charged with possessing firearms after being sentenced to more than three years imprisonment.

## CHALLENGES LEGALITY OF THE INQUIRY BY THE DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS BEING CONDUCTED BY MR OWEN STABLE, Q.C., AND SIR RONALD LEACH, A CITY ACCOUNTANT.

The inspectors are inquiring into the affairs of Pergamon Press and International Learning Systems Corporation. Mr Maxwell, 46, of Headington Hill Hall, Oxford, was chairman of Pergamon Press and chief executive of International Learning until 1969.

He is asking the judge to stop the inspectors continuing their inquiry, or producing any further report involving "any acts or admissions" concerning himself, until the full hearing of a forthcoming High Court action he is bringing against the Department and the inspectors.

The hearing continues on Monday.



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# SISTER KILLED BY BOY TOYING WITH DEER GUN

**DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTER**  
**A 14-YEAR-OLD boy who had six years' experience in the use of guns told a coroner yesterday how a momentary lapse of concentration cost the life of his younger sister.**  
 The boy, **VERE WHEATLEY**, said he became "slightly bored" and decided to have a look at his father's 0.244 rifle, used for hunting deer in Scotland. As he spoke on the telephone, the rifle went off and nine-year-old **Leonora** was hit in the stomach.

## FLUID SNIFFS FOR KICKS KILL BOY

**Daily Telegraph Reporter**  
**A SCHOOLBOY aged 14 tried to interest his friends in sniffing a domestic cleansing fluid for "kicks," but through sniffing it he died, a Southwark inquest was told yesterday.**  
**TERRY DRADDY** was found in a tent in a back garden at Camberwell Grove, Camberwell, on Sept. 11, with a bottle of cleansing fluid beside him. He died after being taken to hospital.

**Prof. KETTER SIMPSON**, pathologist, said death was due to a fatal inhalation of the fluid, which was closely related to chloroform.  
**Dr DAVID FOSTER**, Deputy Coroner, said: "This is a tragic case. The loss of life speaks for itself. It is a dangerous, stupid, dreadful habit."

**Shown by other boys**  
**Terry's father, Mr RICHARD DRADDY**, of Southwark, said he had seen his son with other boys sniffing the fluid. He said Terry had been "shown" the fluid by other boys. **Mr FOSTER**: He tried some? **Dr DRADDY**: Apparently so.

**Kiss of life**  
**and another boy went to home in a car. On return they found Terry lying in bed, apparently dead. I gave him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. He recovered. But then he died again. One of the other boys also said that Terry had said the fluid "made you feel like a champion." **ALAN EMMETT** said a paper certificate was found over Terry's face. An "accident" was recorded.**

## SEWELL CASE BAIL PLEA REJECTED

**Objections to bail for Alan Sewell to have helped in the murder of Mrs. Geraldine Blackpool were rejected by a magistrate yesterday.**  
**Mr BRENT**, barrister, told the magistrate that Sewell was applying for bail on behalf of Mrs. Barbara Blackpool, Mrs. Blackpool's sister.

## FOUR DRUGS FROM ITALY IN NHS SOON

**British Committee on the Use of Medicines has announced that four new drugs will be available in the National Health Service in the next few months.**  
**Dr. J. G. B. GIBSON**, secretary of the committee, said the drugs were: **1. A new antibiotic, a mutant of penicillin, which is effective against staphylococci.** **2. A new anti-cancer drug, 5-fluorouracil.** **3. A new anti-cancer drug, cyclophosphamide.** **4. A new anti-cancer drug, methotrexate.**

## FOR TUNISIA

**Under an agreement with Tunisia yesterday.**

## 'Priceless' Vermeer stolen

**By SERGE NABOKOFF in Brussels**  
**VERMEER'S "The Letter," considered to be one of the world's finest paintings, was stolen during the night from a Brussels exhibition hall, police announced yesterday.**  
 The masterpiece, painted by **Jan Vermeer of Delft**, the famous Dutch 17th century painter in 1664, was insured for £1,200,000.  
 An international expert said: "The painting is priceless in every sense of the word: first for its beauty, and second because it is so famous to be sold by thieves or their accomplices."  
**Special guard**  
 The picture, which usually hangs in the Amsterdam Rijksmuseum, was brought to Brussels under the guard of special detectives to be displayed at the Brussels exhibition on the theme "Rembrandt and His Time."  
 It measures only 17 inches in height by 15 inches wide, and was carried away in its frame while the exhibition was closed for the night. A broken pane was found in a window 15 feet from the ground, and a rope had been made of curtains.  
 As soon as they were told the elderly unarmed watchmen of the Fine Arts Palace, who discovered the theft in the morning, strong police forces occupied the building. They temporarily closed the exhibition, where other masterpieces by Dutch painters brought from Holland are on show.

## 500 PASSENGERS

**The 500,000th passenger to use the British Rail hovercraft, Princess Anne, was handed his fare back as he boarded the craft at Dover for Boulogne yesterday.**  
**Mr HUGH IRWIN**, of Warwick Road, Tunbridge Wells.



A detail from Vermeer's "The Letter" which has been stolen from a Brussels exhibition hall where the masterpiece, said to be one of the world's finest paintings, was being guarded by elderly unarmed watchmen.

## NIECE AND UNCLE CLEARED

**Daily Telegraph Reporter**  
**A MAN and his niece walked arm in arm out of court yesterday after being cleared of making a false declaration to the registrar who "married" them in January.**  
 The Deputy Recorder at Southampton Quarter Sessions, **Mr NATHANIEL BLAKEN**, said there was "an element of doubt" and upheld an appeal of **PAUL ADDERLEY**, 24, and **LINDA IRIS HEATHEN**, 20, who live in Denzil Avenue, Southampton.  
 Southampton magistrates had found them guilty of making a false declaration to the registrar and Adderley was also convicted of signing a false statement to procure a marriage certificate. They were given a conditional discharge.

## Denmark wedding

**After yesterday's hearing, Adderley said they might go to Denmark to be married.**  
 It was stated the couple were related through a common father who had married twice.  
 The Superintendent Registrar, **Mr FRED BLACKBURN**, said he asked Adderley if he was related to Miss Heather and knew of any impediment why they could not get married. "He understood what I was talking about and signed the form," Adderley said they studied the 1949 Marriage Act and could find no reason why they could not get married. He claimed that when the registrar had mentioned the word "impediment" he thought he was referring to "bigamy, or something like that."

## OFFICES ROBBED

**Thieves who ransacked the offices of John Holwell, paper merchants, at Hotwells, Bristol, yesterday, took office equipment valued at £1,700 and a safe containing cheques for £16,000 awaiting despatch. Cheques for £1,033 made out to the firm were also stolen.**

## Invasion of mice hits Kensington and Chelsea

**DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTER**  
**MICE are increasing in a "dramatic" manner in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, one of the richest in the country, the medical officer of health has told residents.**

**Houses, flats and business premises throughout the borough are affected. Confirmed cases of infestation rose from 551 in 1965 to 1,863 in 1970.**

**This year the situation has been worsening, a council spokesman said yesterday. In the second quarter, ending June, the number of rat and mouse cases was 818, an increase of about a third on the same period the year before.**  
 Although the reasons for the increase have not been established, it is suspected that a main cause may be the splitting of big houses into flats and bed-sitting rooms.

**More kitchens**  
**Dr Derek Sheerboom, medical officer of health, said: "It might be that fewer cats are being kept as pets and that as multiple occupation of houses increases, with more kitchens provided, the mouse is finding it easier to obtain food and drink."**  
 "Maybe the substantial reduction in rats over the past few years has left mice with less competition. One thing is certain: some mice are showing resistance to the standard poisons. New poisons are having to be found and used."  
 The council is appealing to the 190,000 residents to ensure that food scraps are not left lying around and that waste food is left in dustbins with closely fitting lids.  
**Contamination fear**  
 The council spokesman said there was no reason for believing that the increase was connected with last year's council workmen's "dirty jobs" strike, which resulted in tons of rubbish lying uncollected for long periods.  
 "Our concern is that mice can contaminate food," he added. "This is something we want to stamp out."  
 The council is offering a free treatment service for infestations in private houses. In business premises a small charge is made for the council's service.

## HANGAR DOOR CRUSHES MAN

**ROAC called for an investigation after the death yesterday of a maintenance worker who was crushed by the door of a Jumbo jet hangar at Heathrow.**  
 The man, **Mr Singh Mastana**, 51, married with three children, of Southall, was walking out of the hangar when the mechanical door closed trapping his head.

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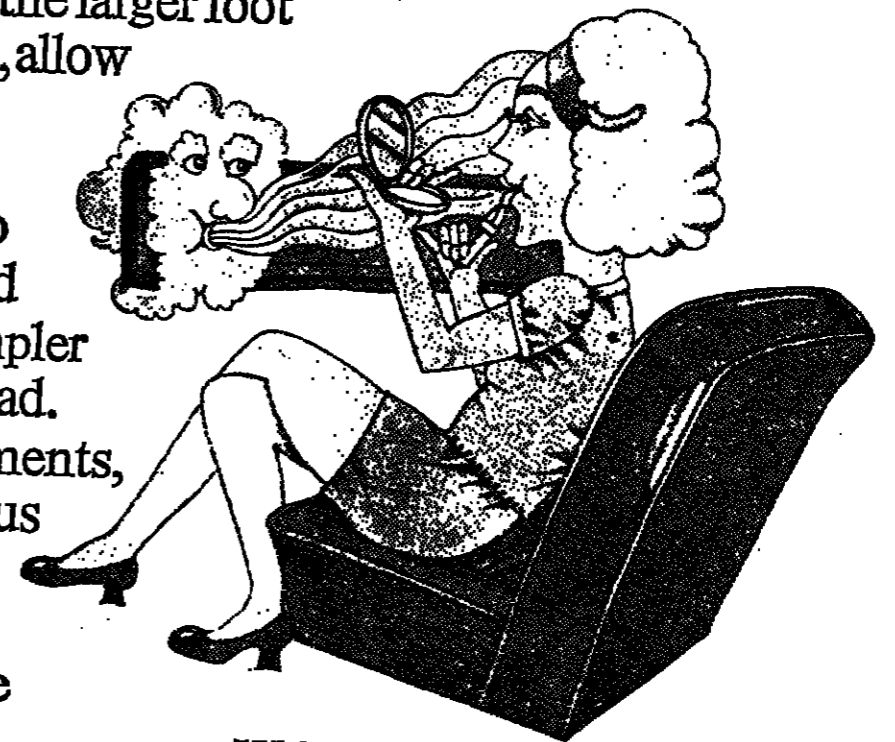
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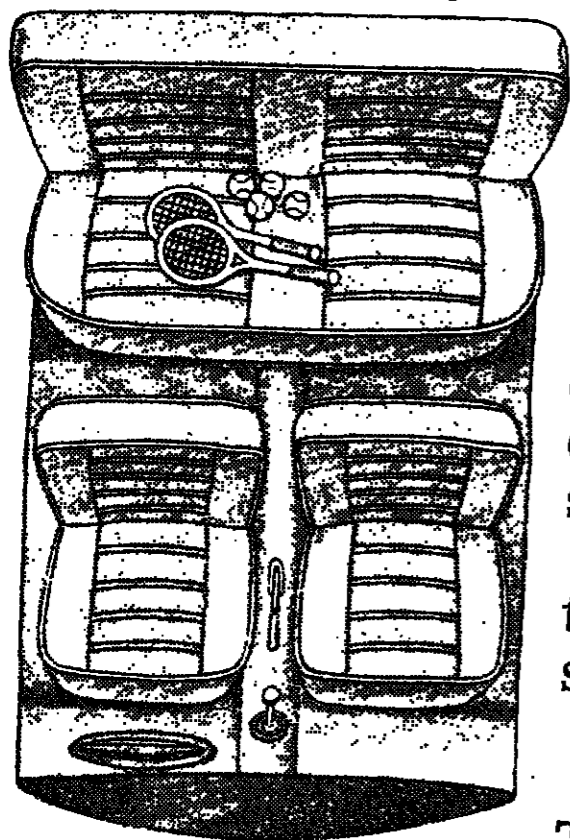
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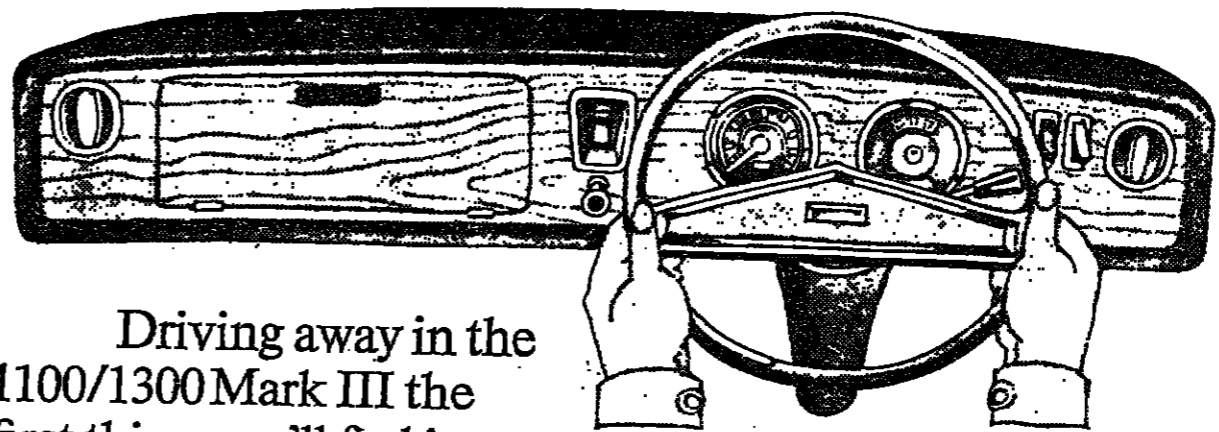
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# U.S.-SOVIET PACT TO CUT RISK OF NUCLEAR WAR

By STEPHEN BARBER in Washington

AMERICA and the Soviet Union have agreed on measures to reduce the risk of a nuclear war by accident and improve the "hot line" link between Washington and Moscow, it was disclosed yesterday.

The agreements are regarded as the first fruits of the Strategic Arms Limitation talks between the two countries, the fifth round of which adjourned in Helsinki on Thursday.

## NIXON WILL NOT LIFT SURCHARGE

By STEPHEN BARBER in Washington

PRESIDENT NIXON has given notice that he has no intention of lifting the 10 per cent import surcharge he imposed on Aug. 15 until America "gets a fair deal" from its foreign trading partners and competitors.

Speaking in Detroit on Thursday night, he reiterated that at next week's International Monetary Fund meeting in Washington, the United States would be very strong and firm.

"We are going to try to build a new international monetary system under which we can all live and compete more effectively."

"We will not give up the surcharge to placate our friends. We are not trying to declare war on the other great trading nations, but the nations that were on their backs 25 years ago—our allies as well as those against us—are now on their feet, competing with us."

"It is essential that their competition should be fair, and that their business people don't have unfair advantages."

The President said he was contemplating introducing a system of export subsidies to make American producers more competitive in world markets.

# Brezhnev trip reassures Yugoslavs

By DAVID FLOYD in Belgrade

MR BREZHNEV, the Soviet Communist party leader, and President Tito, spent yesterday relaxing and concluding their talks at a country house near Novi Sad, 50 miles outside Belgrade.

The shoot, which had been planned for the Soviet leader on the last day of his visit to Yugoslavia was cancelled because he has a cold.

The Yugoslav Press reflected general satisfaction yesterday with the results of his visit. Yugoslavs consider they have obtained more from it than they dared to hope when it was first announced.

From their point of view the principal gains are:

- 1—Reaffirmation of the Soviet-Yugoslav Declaration of 1955 recognising Yugoslavia's complete equality and independence;
- 2—Recognition of Yugoslavia's right to arrange her internal affairs without interference from Moscow;
- 3—An assurance that Russia is not planning at the moment to move into the Balkans.

### Apparent anxiety

Although the Yugoslavs preserve a healthy scepticism about Russia's long term aims in the Balkans and in Europe as a whole, they are glad the Soviet leaders have decided to drop the hostile line they adopted earlier this year.

Political circles in Belgrade hope Mr Brezhnev's apparent anxiety to improve relations will be reflected in the practice of Soviet policy.

"At least we have gained some breathing space," said one Yugoslav commentator. "Let's hope the new policy of smiles will last."

Most comment echoes President Tito's view that the most important requirement in Yugoslav-Soviet relations is stability. The Yugoslavs are tired of the ups and downs of Kremlin policy.

President Tito gave a farewell dinner for the Soviet leader last night. Mr Brezhnev flies back to Moscow today.



Lord Goodman arriving yesterday at the Foreign Office where he reported to Sir Alec Douglas-Home, Foreign Secretary, on his latest round of talks in Rhodesia.

# U.S. CLASH ON SMITH EMBARGO

By ALAN OSBORN in Washington

THE Nixon Government expects to reverse a decision by the Senate to breach the embargo on trading with Rhodesia. Administration officials said yesterday.

The vote, which came late on Thursday, effectively withdraws President Nixon's authority to halt American purchases of Rhodesian chrome ore.

But the measure will not become binding until the full military Procurement Bill, of which it is part, is finally approved by the Senate, nor until the House of Representatives has accepted the same amendment.

In both cases, officials indicated yesterday, the Nixon Administration will try to win support for its position that the United Nations ordered embargo on trading with Rhodesia should be adhered to.

President Nixon and his advisers are worried that a breach of the embargo would offend Black African nations whose votes could be important to the White House in the coming United Nations vote on China.

The trade embargo against Rhodesia is nevertheless resented by many businessmen and most Republicans in Congress.

The reason most frequently quoted is that because of the embargo American firms have been forced to buy 60 per cent of their chrome ore needs from Russia. This is strategically ill-advised and politically repugnant to many companies.

Another reason is that many conservative senators, especially those from the south, feel that the United States has no business punishing other nations for their racial policies.

There were no reliable guesses yesterday on the outcome of the chrome dispute. The vote to break the embargo was 46 to 56, however. It was the first time the measure had ever been approved by the full Senate.

## BRITAIN'S SUPPLY Rhodesian origin

OUR CITY Staff write: Britain imports the vast bulk of its chrome needs from Russia, the United States, Japan and South Africa, in that order of importance as the ferrochrome pellets and bars. The bulk of Russia's ferro-chrome is made from Rhodesian chrome.

In 1970 America, in turn, imported 24 per cent of its chrome needs from Russia. So indirectly Britain is almost certainly receiving Rhodesian high-grade chrome from both Russia and America.

## MORE HOPE IN WHITEHALL

By Our Political Staff

SOME Conservative M.P.s would not be surprised if new developments on Rhodesia are announced during, or just before, the party conference which starts at Brighton on Oct. 15.

Whitehall is now taking a slightly more optimistic view about the eventual chances of a political settlement with Rhodesia following the return of Lord Goodman, the Government's special representative, from his talks with Mr Ian Smith.

But there is still a good deal of caution. Lord Goodman has made several visits to Rhodesia in an attempt to establish whether there is any basis for negotiations with the Smith regime.

Time needed Ministers want time to consider his report. It is not thought that there will be much movement during the next couple of weeks.

In party terms the most suitable time to announce that a Minister, possibly Sir Alec Douglas Home, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary himself, was going to Rhodesia would be at the Conservative Conference.

# U.S. wins a point in U.N. manoeuvres on China's seat

By IAN BALL in New York

AMERICA, persevering with her "two Chinas" formula in the face of hostility from Peking and mounting doubts on the part of her allies, overcame another procedural hurdle yesterday in the United Nations General Assembly.

Albania, Communist China's traditional sponsor in the world organisation, asked the full General Assembly to strike from the agenda the American resolution.

This proposes that the United Nations grant membership to both Chinas—a Security Council and Assembly seat for Peking, and ordinary membership for the Chiang Kai-shek Government in Formosa.

The move, in which Albania was defeated in the 150-member Assembly by 65 to 47 with 35 abstentions. Britain and France were among the abstainers.

The Assembly had already agreed without a vote to accept on the agenda the Albanian resolution, which calls for the seating of mainland China and the immediate expulsion of the Nationalist Chinese.

Expulsion danger In the debate Mr George Bush, United States ambassador, said: "We talk about universality, but I cannot get through my mind that the Albanian resolution means the expulsion of a member that has been here among us for 25 years."

Let each member bear in mind two principles: one, the dangerous precedent of expulsion, and two, the question so dear to every country large and small, of freedom of speech.

A new issue—the legality of the United States move to admit Peking as a United Nations member, occupying China's seat in both the Security Council and the General Assembly, and at the same time retain the Chiang Kai-shek Government's seat in the Assembly—has further clouded the question of Chinese representation.

Britain was the first country to raise the question of legality publicly. When Sir Colin Crowe, the British delegate, was speaking in the Assembly's agenda-planning General Committee, he said he had "the most serious doubt" about the legality of the American resolution for a "two Chinas" solution.

Meanwhile, Mr Rogers, American Secretary of State, arrived in New York to attend the General Assembly session. He expects to confer with some 65 foreign ministers.

The China issue, the Middle East and a successor for U Thant, the United Nations Secretary-General, will be the major topics.

His chief appointment was a dinner last night with Mr Gromyko, Russian Foreign Minister. This was the first such high-level United States-Russian meeting for a year.

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## U.S. DOCTOR 'IN PEKING FOR MAO SURGERY'

A Hongkong newspaper claimed yesterday that Mao Tse-tung, the Chinese Communist Party chairman, requires a major brain operation and that Dr Dudley White, an American heart specialist, is in Peking in case Mao's heart weakened or stopped during the operation.

The Chinese-language pro-Formosan Hongkong Times said Dr White's trip had been specifically ordered by President Nixon after preliminary arrangements had been made during the visit of Dr Henry Kissinger, the President's special adviser, to Peking in July.

Dr White, 85, treated former President Dwight Eisenhower after his heart attack in 1955.

## Anti-apartheid links dangerous, says Dean

By JOHN MILLER in Pretoria

THE Anglican Dean of Johannesburg, the Very Rev. Gonville Branch-Beytagh, said yesterday that he had avoided getting involved with anti-apartheid organisations in London because it was "too jolly dangerous."

During his ninth day in the witness box the dean, 58, who is on trial in Pretoria for alleged subversion, also said that the "anti-South Africanism" of some of his friends in Britain was not his concern.

He told Mr Henry Lichtenberg, the State Prosecutor, that he had never attended anti-apartheid rallies in Trafalgar Square and that he avoided having contacts with anti-apartheid bodies such as the Defence and Aid Fund.

The dean was questioned over his "dealings" with Lord Campbell, an executive of the African Bureau, and Mr Tom Kelloch, G.O.

"I have never asked people in England about whether they were for or against apartheid," he said. "I never felt it was any business of mine."

"In any case there is not in England the kind of atmosphere of suspicion that there is in South Africa."

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## Around America

### MISSILE BASE GOES BACK TO NATURE

By Our New York Staff

AN American Army missile base which cost £30 million to build 10 years ago has been bought by a group of Californian ecologists for \$14,000.

The 55-acre site at Lincoln near Sacramento, housed three Titan missiles, each carrying a nuclear warhead worth the explosive force of more than five million tons of TNT before the Government closed it in 1964.

Now barbed wire has given way to steader bushes, rose and gladioli planted by school children. Hollywood actors and other members of an underground project called Earthside Missile Base Ecology Centre.

Underground tunnels which once contained 160-ft deep silos and living quarters of the missile crews will be turned into gardens with sunlight "pipes" in to nourish the plant life. Recycling equipment for sewage and solid waste and the study of such problems as drought and famine are also planned.

### SKYJACK FOILED

Armed woman seized

A WOMAN teacher's plot to force a skyjack an airliner and force the authorities to release two imprisoned Black Panthers so that they could be flown out of the country was foiled only minutes before the plane was due to take off from Detroit for New York yesterday.

Miss Barbara Pliskow, 35, former teacher at Wayne State University, Michigan, was arrested after trying to get rid of two sticks of dynamite she was carrying. An airport official said that a gun and cord for a fuse, were also found.

### NIGHTMARE TAXI

New design unpopular

NEW YORKERS responded forthrightly this week to the unveiling of a model of proposed new taxicabs. "It looks like a tank," said one. "It's a nightmare," said another.

But the Pratt Institute which designed it, says it provides 45in of headroom, more than any car made in America for years, and 64in of leg room, five times as much as most standard taxicabs. Ramps pull out to enable a wheelchair to be tucked into the passenger compartment.

### 125 CRIMINALS FREED

Speedy trial rule

MORE than 125 people accused of serious crimes including murder, have been freed without trial in Florida. This is because of a St. Supreme Court ruling that suspects must be given a speedy trial or be released. An official 451 suspects will be freed within the next month if cases have not been heard.

### "Man of La Mancha" fill

A FILM is to be made of Broadway musical

"Man of La Mancha." Un Artists said in New York yesterday that it will star P. O'Toole and Sophia Loren. Filming will begin in Italy next year.

### PARAFFIN IN JETS CAUSED

BAC I-11 CRASH

By Our Air Correspondent

The crash of the BAC I-11 on Sept. 6 when 22 people happened because the engine had been set with paraffin for take-off instead of distilled water, the West German Civil Aviation Ministry yesterday.

The water is injected at off and for the climb out of the interior of the engine, particularly the turbine. Paraffin would have the effect.

The Ministry report says the plane carried special containers which were not labelled, were partly filled with paraffin instead of water. The containers were used for the water-injection system.

### FIVE MORE HI

IN ZAMBIA

By Our Lusaka Correspondent

Five more men, including Europeans, have been arrested in Zambia's sweep against new Opposition United Front party, formed by vice-President, Mr Simon Mumba.

This brings the week's arrests in the international security, said P. Kaunda — to about 90. The Europeans arrested yesterday are Eddie Reed, party director, and Dorrance, chief of a private company. Two private belonging to them have been found.



# Nasser on Suez.

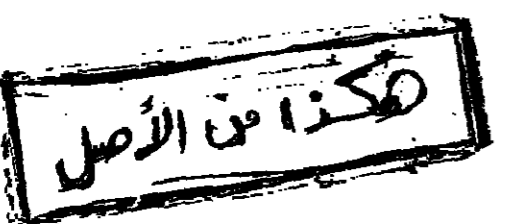
## Nasser v. Eden.

Even after 15 years, mystery still surrounds the Suez fiasco. What made Nasser take the gamble of nationalising the Canal? Were he and Eden obsessed with destroying each other? We've heard Eden's side. Now the Sunday Telegraph brings you the other side of history.

Nasser's story is told largely in his own words by his close friend and adviser Mohammed Heikal, editor of *Al-Ahram*.

What he thought of Eden—after meeting him only once.

Where he got the idea of seizing the canal for Egypt.



Nasser: The Inside Story.  
**Sunday Telegraph**

INDIA BLAMES WEST FOR 'NOT TWISTING AHYA KHAN'S ARM'

CLARE HOLLINGWORTH, who interviewed the Prime Minister in New Delhi before flying to Hongkong to report on China

RS INDIRA GANDHI, the Indian Prime Minister, has accused the great powers of major errors in their policy towards the situation which is fast developing in East Pakistan.

First, they did not "face the realities of today" in and West Bengal. Second, they "did not look far enough ahead."

The Prime Minister added: "Time will not solve this problem, which is forcing India to care for the needs of the (refugees) of the combined population of Sweden and New Zealand."

In a cool but emphatic voice Mrs Gandhi said: "I do not know how long we can bear it. The refugees," she said, "must go back to their homes. They may stay in India for a few months but under no circumstances can they be allowed to settle here."

She stressed that the Government of India could never "allow the refugees to become a permanent burden on our people."

But for the moment the Prime Minister admitted that the refugees were still pouring into India at the rate of from 20,000 to 50,000 a week.

"We have spent so much time and money on attempting to control our own population," Mrs Gandhi said, "it was hard to find India with eight million mouths to feed and unexpected mouths to feed."

Mrs Gandhi expressed deep disappointment that the Great Powers had not been able to "twist President Yahya Khan's arm" so that Pakistani military action, and especially the burning of villages, would stop.

"They do not seem willing to cut off his money," she complained.

Political pressure Mrs Gandhi admitted that she was under great political pressure, from the supporters of Bangla Desh inside and outside East Pakistan as well as in India, to recognise the Government in exile.

She admitted that under certain conditions this could involve India with the moral responsibility to care for the 70 million or so inhabitants of the country, which she is obviously most anxious to avoid.

Her over-riding concern was that feeding over eight million refugees was damaging the Indian economy, and the great hope for improvement in the life of its people.

Since 1962 we have passed through a black period," she said. "But having made a major effort to get out of it, only to be faced with this gigantic new burden seven days after the elections, was heart-breaking."

She was happy that the half-starved babies coming from East Pakistan should be given special treatment. But she was often reminded that these children were not much worse off, apart from the effects of the famine, than many babies in the tribal areas of India.

Mrs Gandhi was concerned, too, that the refugees were entering the Indian labour market and offering their services for half the normal wages in West Bengal.

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TELEGRAPH REPORTER BARRED

DAVID LOSHAK in Beirut

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I left the country in a few days before the breakdown in East Pakistan

My requests for a passport to go to Beirut were refused

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THE POPE CALLS RELIEF TALKS

By Our Rome Correspondent

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Yoshito 'helped to plan Pearl Harbour'

BY NK ROBERTSON

OR HIROHITO, of 1, who will arrive in London on October 5

In support of this assertion, the author quotes from the memoranda of the war-time Army Chief of Staff

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Layout and design

HOLIDAYS behind us, touches of gold in the trees, it all adds to the close prospect of a new planting season.

Whatever the soil on which your garden is like, or its situation, the opportunities for planting it vary considerably.

At its ultimate this is reflected in the most remarkable nursery catalogue ever laid out in this country and which has been published this week.

"Hilliers' Manual of Trees and Shrubs" becomes the most up to date and handiest reference book on the subject.

Most of us, even the most zealous of plant enthusiasts, are never likely to get even on nodding terms with a high proportion of them, much less grow them.

If there is one golden rule to be followed in the planting season it is to choose your plants to fit the site and limit the number of different kinds you put there.

Of course, the sense of unity which this first principle of planting creates can be achieved by way of giving the garden a firm design that can stand by itself without the embellishment of flowers.

The alternative is to create a theme with your plantings, or set up a home key, if you are prepared to push the musical analogy that far, and modulate from this to related keys.

What I mean is this. Suppose you are lucky enough to



Simple use of plants to make a strong effect in a Russell Page design garden

garden on acid soil where rhododendrons will flourish. You would establish this fact as the key for your major theme, perhaps introducing it with interplantings of early deciduous that would depend on the lustrous green of the rhododendrons foliage as their background.

Once these were over lilies would spring up between them as a second subject in a different key, but still related owing to their liking for the same soil and site.

Then might come what would amount to another movement when the hydrangeas flowered, but again stating a bold theme because they were not dotted about in an assortment of varieties, but written in their range, a color maples strategically placed would flare with their scarlet autumn leaves.

The quotation is from "The Education of a Gardener," by Russell Page (Collins, £2.75), a classic study which has just been republished. Reading it again after the interval of another ten seasons of gardening, find it an even more remarkable testament than when it first appeared.

Calm, restraint, scale, peace, unity, coherence, simplicity, harmony, discipline... these are words which appear re-

peatedly throughout the book; never "diversity." They are the keys to making a garden that you will not want to change six months later, or six years.

Yet the author's intimate acquaintanceship with plants is clearly vast, and the garden schemes on which he has worked restricted neither by area nor budget. Following his own principles, however, he can still tell you how to build up a grouping of different plants that preserve calm, beginning with one kind that suits site and personal tastes and adding to this others through which it is possible to mould a series of creative relationships.

Always there must be a focus in the garden, he insists. It may be set by features already existing on the site, such as a few old trees. Or it can be stocked by plants with the same particular cultural needs, such as the time-honored or those which will have nothing but poor sandy soil. Or again, it might be established by the greenness and the spaciousness of a stretch of turf or by way of hedges.

All this is doubtless a long way from the jumbled and haphazard garden ideal and its sophisticated development, the herbaceous border. But it doesn't preclude adventuring among plants. What it adds to is extracting from them the greatest advantage. It is fortunate that in this country we have first so many different kinds to take as a palette for creating compositions that will restore something of our lost serenity, and then the climate in which to grow them in a way that keeps them perpetually vivid.

Advertisement for Chalina Azaleas, featuring 'Tough as Nails' and 'Irresistible' qualities. Includes a coupon for a 21-day trial and a list of prices for different quantities.

Advertisement for Four Cedars garden buildings, offering guaranteed quality and a price of £26.50.

Advertisement for Marley and Garage Revolution, featuring various services and products for gardeners.

Advertisement for 50 King Alfred Daffodils 75p and other flower varieties, including Dutch Show Hyacinths and Named Exhibition Tulips.

Advertisement for Surplus Nursery Stock Sale, listing various plants like Japanese Azaleas, Cupressus Leylandi, and others.

Advertisement for Raspberries, offering various varieties and a guarantee to grow or be replaced free.

Advertisement for Eden Aluminium Greenhouses, highlighting their quality and features.

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EQUESTRIANISM

Backing the horses

By ALAN SMITH

WE are not philanthropists. We put money into a sport we expect to receive publicity for it, and if the sport — any sport — benefits as well, that's good.

Thus, recently, a director of one of the organisations most involved in the sponsorship of equestrian sport expressed his philosophy to me. And although he was giving only his own opinion no doubt it is shared by most of the other firms involved in making show jumping, and to a lesser extent horse trials and show classes, among the most sponsored of all sports.

Some firms, either by lucky accident or clever design, have come up with answers which look ideal, but in most cases they are unique and unlikely to be repeated.

On a slightly less dramatic but even more widespread stage is the support given by the Midland Bank to horse trials. This sport, because it involves more true amateurs even up to the highest level, and because success can be achieved on horses which do not necessarily have to be bought for high prices, is booming.

Others buy horses, rename them and send them out in search of glory. This is an even more chancy business. The Ford Motor Company, in supplying horse-boxes, minibuses and cars for the British Horse Society's use — for taking teams abroad and looking after other little service without much return.

There has, over the past few years, been a fairly active attempt to organise a professional "circuit" of show jumpers, on golf or tennis lines, but the snags, particularly of contracts being needed with horse owners as well as sponsors, and of not being able to guarantee that horses stay sound and in form, look too formidable.

Far more feasible would be a world team championship. This would be a costly venture to mount, but should surely be rewarding in terms of publicity. August 1953 the Chamber with four riders in a team instead of three; and since the present individual world championships are divided by sex, why not an overall individual title fight as well?

Amateurism among competitors is one thing, and with the comparatively small rewards for even the most successful of horse-

Stamp Collecting

Emergency postal services

STRIKES and other breakdowns in postal services in France, Italy and Britain have sometimes resulted in local services being organised by the Chamber of Commerce in various towns.

During the French postal strike of May 1968 the Chamber of Commerce of Amiens organised a service and issued a 10 centimes stamp which had to be used as well as a 10c postage stamp.

In 1945 the Chamber of Commerce issued a 10c vermilion for use on mail carried by tramway. Used on envelope, it is worth about £50.

In 1945 the Chamber of Commerce issued two stamps, 50c dark and pale green, and 2f. lilac-brown and pale green, featuring a sailing vessel and inscribed "Front Atlantique" to meet a shortage of postage stamps in the Channel.

During the postal strike in August 1955 the Chamber of Commerce of Orleans and Loiret issued two different 10c stamps.

In Italy, during the postal workers' strike of April and May 1950, the Milan Chamber of Commerce organised a local postal service.

During our own postal strike in January this year the Southampton Chamber of Commerce collaborated with local businessmen in the organisation of a service to London and Le Havre as well as providing local delivery.

The Beaconsfield Chamber of Commerce ran a local service on Jan. 25, and on March 4 issued 2½p. stamps in red and green and green and red, and used on envelope they are rare.

Advertisement for Workmate, a workshop in a package, offering a 27 x 3 inch workspace.

Advertisement for Award Winning Giant Strawberries, featuring Ken Muir and various varieties like Grandee and Gento.

Advertisement for Cupressus Leylandi, a popular garden plant.

Advertisement for Old English Lavender, a classic garden plant.

Advertisement for Blue Polyanthus, a variety of pansy.

Advertisement for Leydene Gardens Ltd., offering various garden plants.

Advertisement for Mo-Brush, a lawn care product.

Advertisement for Eaze-Pickup, a garden tool.

Advertisement for Willan Porches, garden structures.

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Advertisement for 12 Iris Danfordiae 20p, a variety of flowers.

Advertisement for 25 Daffodils 25p, a variety of flowers.

Advertisement for 50 Named Daffodils & Narcissus 75p, a variety of flowers.

Advertisement for 50 Giant Wallflowers 30p, a variety of flowers.

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WORLD OF MUSIC

'Siegfried' before the silence

By MARTIN COOPER

THE past week of newspaper silence has been unusually rich in musical interest. The Royal Opera House Orchestra has seldom played with greater virtuosity, with more fire and delicacy, than in last week's performance of 'Siegfried'.

Under Edward Downes, every detail of Wagner's fine scherzando music which plays so large a part in this score was beautifully shaped and given its precise dramatic significance, and the 'Fear' music in Act I and the great ground swell at the opening of Act III were given powerful, penetrating quality.

Only the Forest Murmurs lacked purely sonorous enchantment, and it was here, too, that the many ways admirable Siegfried of Heide Brühl also proved to lack the necessary richness and variety of tone.

No Siegfried could look or play, the part more convincingly, delightfully, bullishly, Mime, who plainly inspired by physical disgust, and squaring up to the Wanderer only to be momentarily quelled by the defeated god's still awe-inspiring glance.

Although Mr Brühl's voice is small for the part (and much of the Forging Song went by default) his vocal art is good, and his powers of characterization are excellent. His extremely natural and uninhibited acting stood out all the more clearly against the very formal, almost hieratic gestures and demeanour of Amy Shuard's Brünnhilde, powerful in the role of a young girl, but less than a fine interpreter but below her usual excellent standard in the middle of the voice.

Genial Wanderer Helen Watts's singing as Erda, though dignified and always musical, had not the impressive penetrating quality that marked her performance in 'Rheingold'. The tenor of the title character, who needs an older and more experienced singer, Mr MacIntyre already commands a vocal power and a dignity of style that promise extremely well.

John Dobson's Mime, too, is already an amazingly complete and finely shaded performance, greatly helped by the rhythmic accuracy and clean articulation of his singing. Marius Rintzler's Alberich was well sung but not strongly characterised.

Benjamin Britten conducted the English Opera Group's performance of 'The Merry Wives of Windsor' at Sadler's Wells on the following night, and obtained playing of quite outstanding brilliance and intensity from the English Chamber Orchestra.

At the opening of Act II, in particular, it was the striking absence of the orchestra, and his performance that explained this as the heart of the drama, and the sinister character of the following scene was more chillingly suggested by the bell-dominated

orchestra than by the singers, whose words were only fitfully audible throughout the evening. Catherine Wilson's Goneriv and Sylvia Fisher's Housekeeper emphasised by a certain nervous shrillness of voice the hysterical aspect of the story, while paradoxically it was Rae Woodcock's Percutio Miss Jessel that sounded more vocally relaxed.

Yolanda Sonnabend's cleverly dissolving sets were not the ideal background for a story in which the full horror surely consists in the contrast between a cold, conventional everyday setting and extraordinary events, the possibility of which should be contradicted rather than suggested by physical appearances.

Peter Pears, though admirable in the actual temptation of Miles, had not quite the sustained intensity of tones to make Quint's wilder rhapsodising convincing. Of the two children, Florus was excellently played and sung by Elizabeth Gale, but Corin Manley's cleverly acted Miles was too often inaudible.

Past and future In the Queen Elizabeth Hall two very different ensembles have given performances of the highest quality. On Sunday evening the London Sinfonietta under David Atherton formed two contemporary works between Hindemith's Kammermusik No. 3 and Schoenberg's Chamber Symphony No. 1, classic examples respectively of the neo-baroque revival and of music still deeply indebted to Strauss, Reger and Mahler but unambiguously orientated towards the still unknown future.

Jennifer Ward-Clarke was the solo cellist in Hindemith's Kammermusik, and her clear lines and precise rhythms, firm attack and strong tone were perfectly matched by the excellently disciplined yet flexible orchestral playing.

Iain Hamilton's 'Voyages' is centred round a florid solo horn part (musically speaking, bravely played by Barry Tuckwell, and reminiscent of Debussy are ingeniously worked into the piece's texture to create a skilful blend of familiarity and strangeness. As always, Hamilton's sound-picture is highly individual, and his distribution of colour and mass was given an ideally natural character in this excellent performance. Henze's 'In memoriam: Die weisse Rose' proved to be an occasional piece, sober in character and of no particular interest.

The Camera Lysy, which played at the same hall on Tuesday, is an ensemble of some 18 young string players led by Alberto Lysy. Their performance of 17th- and 18th-century music had a unity of style, a pulsating rhythmic life, and a sustained intensity of tone that matched Mr Lysy's own playing.

This was shown at its best in a concerto by Locatelli displaying the full range of 18th-century Italian string writing at its most inventive.

The ensemble was joined by the admirable recorder player René Clemencic, whose dances by Gasparo Zanetti and Gaudini's Musica Notturna exhibited them to rather less advantage in a contemporary night-piece, vaguely evocative but without much substance.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

The Exiles' return

By RONALD HASTINGS

THE decision by the Royal Shakespeare Company to give Exiles, the play by James Joyce, a further lease of life in London, was due to an accidental reunion at the Aldwych Theatre of the three talents—Harold Pinter, director, his wife Vivien Merchant, the actress; and John Wood, actor, who had made the play such an outstanding success at the Mermaid a few months ago.

It was in 'Exiles' at the Mermaid that David Jones, the company director at the Aldwych, saw John Wood and was moved to bring him into the Royal Shakespeare Company. After the Mermaid run, Mr Wood went to the Aldwych, where he is now appearing in 'Enemies' and 'The Man of Mode'.

Harold Pinter made the same trip with his play 'Old Times', and Vivien Merchant accompanied him to appear in that play and in 'The Man of Mode'. The Mermaid Exiles had merited the description of a smash-hit and plainly had further life in it, so that it was only a matter of time before the Aldwych management seized the opportunity.

The designer, too, will be the same, Eileen Diss, but Estelle Kohler and T. P. McKenna will have the other two leading parts, as Beatrice and Robert. 'Exiles' opens on Tuesday week, and already the London public has endorsed the company's judgment by heavy advance bookings.

Six days later the Royal Shakespeare Company opens its nine-week season at a second London theatre, the small, adaptable theatre called The Place, off Euston Road. This is the latest in a number of similar moves by the company's Aldwych section to 'expand our horizons' as David Jones says.

He gives three reasons for the season. One is the desire to

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ART Stubbs' 'Cheetah with two Indian Attendants and a Stag,' that fetched £220,000

The virtues of the English

By TERENCE MULLALLY

IF it were a question of naming one artist to represent the virtues of British painting and, indeed, the virtues of the English, Stubbs would be the ideal choice. This goes far beyond the fact that his favourite subjects were the horses the English have always loved, set in the rich, verdant countryside of England. Nor is it simply that Stubbs was the greatest of the many artists who specialised in this type of subject.

In his art there is a union of the scientific approach, of precise analysis of the most painstaking kind, and poetry. Everything Stubbs painted takes on a magic only otherwise to be found in the closest observation of nature. He is of that company of artists, and there are very few, who have the gift of being Vermeer who, by the painting of the play of light, present us with an intimation of a particular scene, or stimulate an awareness of an object more acute than our experience in the presence of the reality.

It is the recognition that Stubbs can do this that since the last world war, has led to a reappraisal of his work. He has come to be recognised as one of the greatest of British artists; exhibitions, notably the one at Agnew's last year, of the work of Stubbs in 1760s and the 1962 exhibition of all his prints shown at the Aldburgh Festival and the Victoria and Albert Museum, have confirmed the point, and it has been

reflected in the prices paid for his work. That Stubbs used to be underestimated is undeniable. It can hardly be said to be the case today when his 'Cheetah with two Indian Attendants and a Stag', now in the Manchester City Art Gallery, was sold at Sotheby's for £220,000.

There has however been a surprising lack of books on Stubbs. Now, with the appearance of 'Stubbs' by Basil Taylor (Phaidon, £6), a major step has been taken in underlining the position due to this quintessentially English artist. The book also marks a precedent in modern publishing which should not pass unnoticed.

Only faint praise It is not the definitive work on Stubbs. Indeed, in his foreword, Basil Taylor says the book is the result of the Phaidon Press's invitation to publish a critical essay which might also offer a summary of his findings. One problem today in the face of too much lazy popularisation and a tendency, particularly pronounced abroad, for some scholars to write too much is that some of the best art historians are reluctant to publish anything until their research is completed, and given the nature of art-historical studies, that may never be.

Looking at the colour plates and the other illustrations in this book, and above all recalling the originals, for no reproduction can do justice to Stubbs, their own special when I get back from Mass. It teaches me English so good you wouldn't ever guess I wasn't born here. I like the boy, too. One night he drink six pints of cider. Six pints. And then he turns to me and says, 'Tonio, bigger every time I plough!'

The ploughman sighed again. 'We come. We go. But I tell you something. Every time I plough this field I say, 'Bail, Mary, I say, and do what you can for them because the old one he teach me English so good, and the young one he drink like a whale, and dear mama she cooks my bacon special.' He crossed himself like a good Catholic, and then spat, and said, 'This damned field it get bigger every time I plough!'

On a previous visit—made after several months' absence—I was told that the old man had died, that his wife soon followed him, and that the house stood empty because no tenant would lease such a remote place. Nevertheless, I followed the track for old times' sake and in order to pay past respects to a man whose talk and tales had enriched my own. When I arrived, I found that the old woman's flower beds were choked with weeds. Bent beneath their fruit, the plum trees could not console me for the loss of friends and for the decay of their home. A broken windowpane and several loose tiles had already admitted the enemy.

A later visit verified the triumph of time. The roof had caved in. One that visit, I met a ploughman, a former Italian prisoner-of-war, who, although he had been a British subject for 20 years, continued to break his English. 'All gone,' he sighed, nodding toward the derelict house. 'Verra sad. When I first come here they treat me like I was their own son. She cooks my own special when I get back from Mass. It teaches me English so good you wouldn't ever guess I wasn't born here. I like the boy, too. One night he drink six pints of cider. Six pints. And then he turns to me and says, 'Tonio, bigger every time I plough!'

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Contrasts in Flemish painters

By CAROL KROCH

THE show of Belgian Surrealism at the Edinburgh Festival is followed at the Royal Academy until November 21 by a major exhibition, entitled 'Ensor to Permeke: Nine Flemish Painters, 1860-1950'.

Each artist is shown individually with three most devoted to Ensor, whose most famous painting, 'The Entry of Christ into Brussels' of 1888, is being exhibited in Britain for the first time.

The two outstanding figures are undoubtedly Ensor and Permeke, while the others, Spilliaert, Tytgat, Van den Broeck, De Smet, Evenspoel, Bruselmans, and Wouters represent stylistically, to varying degrees, Flemish Symbolism, Expressionism, and the impact of French Impressionism, Post-Impressionism, and Cubism.

One regrets omissions, notably that of Van Risseghem, but throughout the work on show certain common features are established—of neurotic fantasies, emotive distortions, to express the grotesque and absurd lurking behind appearances; a predilection for the mystical and macabre, which has its artistic heritage in Bosch; Flemish draughtsmanship; and other traditions of serene Northern realism seen in Ensor's early interiors, Evenspoel's genre scenes and solid portraits of children, and particularly in Permeke's affirmations of peasant strength.

Over 100 works, forming a retrospective of James Ensor's career, indicate the parallels with that of his contemporary, Van Gogh, both in stylistic development and frequent use of arabesques in the drawing, and in the general mood of hysteria.

The extravagant carnival atmosphere of Ensor's world, of masked grotesques and debauched freaks, of dolls and grimacing skulls, where horror jostles with humour, is reminiscent of that of Fellini's 'Giulietta' and 'Satyricon'.

Ensor, made copies after Rembrandt, whose influence can be seen in his treatment of light in the drawings; the impact of Turner and the Impressionists was vital to the transformation of his palette from dark impasto to brilliant rainbow tones shot with white.

During his most active period, he worked out his frustration in rejection by critics, colleagues, and public alike, in paintings where skeletons and death masks flay the agonising body of Christ-Ensor.

In the huge 'Entry of Christ' with its bold contrasts of red and green and odd end-semitisms and rule by terror—points of a moral all too applicable to Soviet reality, the indestructibility of laughter as a weapon against tyranny and the ambiguities in the life of a 'careerist'.

It is possible to discuss Shostakovich's music without taking into account these circumstances and the courage demanded by such a work.

Fine performances in Britten's 'Dream'

THE English Opera Group's production of Britten's Opera 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' seen at Sadler's Wells Theatre, merges from total darkness to reveal sets by Juzzatti which have more than a hint of a Douanier Rousseau forest about them.

There is the same ambivalence between childhood and sophistication, beast and human being. This ambivalence is echoed throughout Colin Graham's production.

Thus Oberon and Titania, sung with clarity and warmth by James Bowman and Jennifer Vyvyan respectively, straddle the worlds of myth and humanity with more than their usual share of human expression, while the four mortal lovers move about with icy and lissom grace which belie their human nature.

This quartet—Nigel Douglas (Lysander), Benjamin Luxton (Demetrius), April Cantelo (Helena), and Maureen Morelle (Hermia)—are also very well matched vocally, rising to particularly good moments in the chain of confusion that builds up towards the end of Act II.

Owen Brannigan repeats his inimitable portrait of Bottom, and as unshakable as ever, and Norman Lumsden's Quince is a nicely turned performance, too.

The English Chamber Orchestra under Stuart Bedford accompany the singers with much delicacy and feeling for the general atmosphere of the work. N.K.

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Shostakovich reveals his inner life

By MARTIN COOPER

SHOSTAKOVICH'S 13th Symphony, which had its first London performance under André Previn at the Festival Hall, was rightly considered as an overt non-conformity when it was first performed in the Soviet Union in 1962.

Of the five Yevlushenko poems chosen by the composer, only one, extolling the inexhaustible courage and patience of woman, contains no explosive matter.

Each of the others either treats a sore subject—anti-Semitism and rule by terror—or points of a moral all too applicable to Soviet reality, the indestructibility of laughter as a weapon against tyranny and the ambiguities in the life of a 'careerist'.

It is possible to discuss Shostakovich's music without taking into account these circumstances and the courage demanded by such a work.

These go far to explain the crude, rhetorical melodrama of 'Babi Yar', the aggressive bitter character of the scherzo 'Humour', and the very different, cryptic scherzando character of 'A Career'.

If 'At the Store' remains the most conventional movement, with its Mussorgskian echoes, 'Fears' evokes dramatically but by most economical means a world of total insecurity dominated by the secret police and their informers.

John Shirley-Quirk and the Ambrosian Singers manfully tackled the Russian text, with considerable success, but the music really demands a more powerful voice for the often heavily rhetorical style.

Other Wills—P10

LEONARD WOOLF LEAVES £140,372

Leonard Sidney Woolf, the author and publisher, who died on Aug. 14, 1969, aged 88, left £140,372 net (duty £22,497) in his will published yesterday.

Mr Woolf, of Monks House, Rownell, Lewes, left all copyrights in published and unpublished books and manuscripts of his late wife, Virginia Woolf, equally between a nephew and niece.

Other Wills—P10

AGNIFICENT MIXTURE BY KOREAN GROUP

By FERNAU HALL

Korean Folk Arts Group, which gave its first public performance last night, is a magnificent company performing not only the folk dances of Korea but also its classical dances and music, with their fascinating tradition of Buddhist and court elegance.

On the flute, Lee Seang-Kang, was very moving with his tremulous and extremely subtle melodies.

The folk dances, performed by 12 beautiful girls with gay but demure smiles, vivacious movements and brightly coloured costumes, were also entrancing in their own way.

The drum dance was particularly effective, with each girl beating a huge drum on the shape of an hour glass; similarly the 'Farmers' Dance', in which the girls were joined by three male dancers and there was a fine combination of dancing and playing on various percussion instruments.

Specially intriguing were the dancers who made big circles with long ribbons attached to the top of their heads.

There were also musicians performing ancient Korean instrumental court style. The player

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RUSSIANS GOING HOME

FULLEST APPROVAL must be expressed for the firm action of the Foreign Office in dealing with 105 Soviet spies and secret agents who have been asked to leave and not return to this country.

It appears that Sir ALEC DOUGLAS-HOME personally discussed this grave matter a year ago with Mr GROMYKO and has written to him about it twice since without receiving even the courtesy of an acknowledgment.

They are now having to learn their mistake, and no sort of reprisals against the very much smaller British diplomatic mission in Moscow can extricate the Russian Government from a well deserved humiliation.

Parliament will be told something of the extent of Soviet secret activities here. Some of these activities, already known about, indicate an offensive military and political thinking unknown since the days of Hitler.

ULSTER'S FEARS

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, the emergency debates on Northern Ireland in the Commons and the Lords have done less harm than could have been expected.

But will the debate succeed in dissipating the mounting doubts of moderate loyalists in Ulster? All parties in Britain agree with Mr FAULNER on the need for extended reform, possibly to include proportional representation in Parliamentary elections.

What matters, however, is that an enforced coalition would be incompatible with collective Cabinet responsibility and majority rule. At times, Mr MAULDING seems fully to appreciate this fact; but his obscure reference, in the context of constitutional reorganisation in Ulster, to the need for ensuring that men are not debarred by their religion from serving their country could be read as possibly implying that he also is playing with the idea of proportional representation in the executive.

The resulting lack of confidence among Ulster loyalists can be corrected only by still more forceful security measures and by clearer signs that the Stormont Government is not going to be emasculated. And the disastrous consequences that might follow a collapse of Ulster loyalists' confidence do not need to be stressed.

Old Men's Praises

By Dr W. R. MATTHEWS

WHEN this essay appears in print I shall have passed my 90th birthday. This is not so exceptional as it is, so perhaps I may be allowed to preach a little sermon to myself in the hope women old age comes almost unobserved and they wake up one day to the truth. To adjust oneself is not always easy. Is old age in itself a boon or a burden? Can we wholeheartedly echo the words of the Psalmist "Old men and children, praise the Lord?"

There can be no doubt that fundamentally the Christian faith is optimistic in the sense that it holds human life to be valuable and precious and rejects Byron's pessimistic judgment. "This something better not to be." In our Anglican Book of Common Prayer we have a wonderful prayer of "General Thanksgiving" which suggests the grounds for the praises of old men and women. We are taught, first, to bless God for old men and women. We are taught, second, to bless God for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life.

We cherish the hope that we may meet again some of these dear companions in the world to come, and even now their love in our memory cheers our way. But we shall fall below our Christian ideal if we forget those old people who seem to have little reason to bless God—those who linger in pain praying for death, those who are bitter and friendless and those whose conscience bears the weight of unforgiven sin.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING passes from this present world to the life of the world to come with the words "the means of grace and the hope of glory" which illuminate the prospect of death. Many old men and women and even many good Christians falter in their belief in Eternal Life. Who does not feel at times the burden of doubt with regard to the gospel of Life? We who know of experience the need for a constant renewal of the faith that overcomes the world should pray for our old men what we pray for ourselves—"Grant us Thy Peace."

United Nations—a new phase

STEPHEN BARBER, in New York, on the impact of the China question

THE 26th General Assembly of the United Nations opened this week for what promises to be its most exciting session for years. After having been almost given up for dead, there is suddenly a real chance that the organisation can be jolted back to life by having a job to do, a role to play.

President de Gaulle sardonically referred to "Les nations dites unies". Israelis have called it "United Nothing"; American Presidents have used it as a political graveyard. The annual assemblage of 127 States and mini-States—now joined by three more—has been described by one envoy as "comic opera in a tower of Babel."

The United Nations is broke to the tune of well over its entire 1971 budget, has had to raise trust funds to meet its payrolls several times lately, though more than one delinquent member will this season, as in the past, spend more on a single delegate's cocktail party than it owes in unpaid dues. The place is drowning in a sea of mimeographed words—no less than 759,507,976 pages of speeches and statements in a single year—most of which serve no purpose beyond inflating the maxi-egos of mini-statesmen. Staff morale is so low over pay and the harshness of New York life there could be a strike at any time.

Yet despite all this there is suddenly a sense here of challenge, a feeling of hope not so much that problems will be solved—with 109 items on the agenda at the last conference most will be ignored—but that the great glass house on the East River can serve as a lively Bialto rather than a dismal forum. Corridor diplomacy, after all, is what counts at the United Nations, not the windy rhetoric of the perennial Middle East debate, the set-piece on Rhodesia, South West Africa and the like.

The big reason for this is, of course, the China question, which takes centre stage from the start this time and is expected to reach a climax by mid-October, with attendant headline-catching drama. Ever since President Nixon's mid-July announcement that he would visit Peking, the implications of this move have been gradually seeping in, and now at the United Nations a moment of truth approaches.

It is highly unlikely that those Peking talks will lead to an immediate exchange of ambassadors and full diplomatic recognition between China and the United States. That would be neither in President Nixon's nor in the Chinese character. So it is therefore assumed that a first step towards "normalising relations" between the world's most populous and the world's most economically powerful nations will be to establish a convenient permanent contact point at the United Nations.

This is entirely consistent with Mr Nixon's concept of the new era dawning in global affairs. The simple "bipolar" balance of terror between the two nuclear super-powers—Russia and the United States—which preserved mankind from the holocaust for a genera-

tion now gives way to something infinitely more complex. Dr Henry Kissinger, the White House's grey eminence, has coined the horrid word "multipolarity" to describe the developing interplay of forces. He argues that a new order must be created which accepts that the old equilibrium has been destabilised, like it or not, by the following facts:

America is tired of playing world policeman for the West as a solo act, Vietnam has sapped her energy, drained her of blood and gold, aggravated strains at home;

Japan has grown rich to the point where she is the second most powerful economy in the non-Communist world. She must be given, or else will eventually take, her appropriate place;

The Europe of Ten—the Common Market enlarged with Britain—is another rising power that could, and therefore should, become less reliant on America, more assertive;

China is coming out of isolation, whether impelled by fear of Russia or not;

There is still dangerous tinder around (Middle East, India-Pakistan, Cyprus) and too many people have matches. Already five nations are officially nuclear but Japan and half a dozen others could be so in very short order.

Three-sided

Already we are seeing from the United Nations vantage point a series of triangular alignments take shape in place of the old, familiar cold war East-West, pro and anti-Communist confrontation. Moscow is apprehensive of an accommodation between Peking and Washington; China likewise of détente between America and Russia. But this is only one example: another triangle sees Russia wooing Japan with trade concessions (a) to block a feared Sino-Japanese détente, and (b) to wean Japan from alliance with the United States.

Yet another interlocking geometric figure has China wooing Pakistan, and Russia India, both against the West and each other. A similar pattern can be seen in Africa and the Middle East, bearing more directly on British and Western European interests. So it can in Singapore and Thailand where, as the American withdrawal from Vietnam proceeds, the trend is towards seeking means to play off Russia against China.

For the next three weeks, as is usual at Assembly time, New York becomes diplomatic capital of the world, affording Foreign Ministers ample opportunities for bilateral, four-, five-, eight- and more-power meetings. Both Bialto and forum will be busy, the difference this year being that Mr Nixon's overture to China, plus the dollar crisis, have served notice that "multipolarity" is not just a catch-phrase; it marks the opening of a whole new game.

Having resisted all previous Albanian resolutions calling for the seating of Peking in the place of

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Formosa-based Republic of China Government, America has now, bluntly, caved in. All that is left to agonise over is whether a formula can be found to keep a place for Formosa in the Assembly.

The Communists say flatly here through the Albanians and others that they will not join if the Nationalists are kept in. The Americans claim they still have a chance to line up enough support for what they choose to call "duality." But it is difficult not to conclude at this moment that Mr George Bush, the young Texan protégé to whom Mr Nixon gave the task as American Ambassador, will have done all required of him if he puts up a spectacular defence of an untenable outpost—a kind of Custer's Last Stand to placate that not inconsiderable body of conservative public opinion within America that is, to say the least, still perplexed by the about-face on China.

It is anyone's guess how long this by-play will take. But once Peking is aboard, so to speak, the United Nations will be transformed. The Russians are already scared, ironically enough at the potential impact on the Middle East situation of the new Chinese presence in the Security Council. They will no longer be moonlight chairman of Arab friendship circles, nor will they be allowed to sit as self-appointed leader of the third world.

No one doubts that the Chinese are geared to move in here. Peking's foremost "Americanologist," Huang Hua, 58, was sent to Ottawa this spring as Ambassador to Canada. Very close to Chou En-lai, a friend of the American writer Edgar Snow, and, significantly, a rare survivor of the cultural revolution who scored diplomatic successes in Egypt and Iraq, he is said to be in charge of a large part in arranging Dr Eisenhower's advance trip to Peking in July.

Huang Hua is likely to be the first Peking delegate at the United Nations after the transfer of credentials. But the Chinese penetration may well go further, with Peking having claim to its proportion of secretariat jobs, up to and including a say in who is to be Secretary-General.

It is at long last accepted now that it meant genuinely means what he says and that he will not be persuaded to extend his second term in what the first United Nations Secretary-General, Trygve Lie, said flatly was "the most impossible job in the world."

There are no fewer than a dozen declared and undeclared candidates for the post the Burmese has filled since the death of Dag Hammarskjöld. The race is wide open. It would surprise no one to see a total outsider picked and win.

However, one quality, by common consent, the new Secretary-General must possess is that he would be acceptable to Communist China. It is simply a sign of the times that Peking has flatly been accorded the right to blackball before being elected to the club.

JOBS LOST BEFORE PENSION AGE

SIR—Having read Mr Geoffrey van Dyke's article "A better deal in pensions" (Sept. 15), I should like to bring to your attention a very important factor in private pension schemes which I believe will shortly develop into a national problem.

I refer to the fact that in this age of "modern business methods" an ever-decreasing number of companies are prepared to retain their staff until they reach pensionable age which raises serious doubts as to the relevance of their private pension schemes. There is a rapidly increasing tendency among companies today to dispose of men, by fair means or foul, when they reach middle age in order to replace them with much younger men.

Your classified advertisements testify to the number of companies offering positions, frequently at senior executive level, to men as young as their early twenties, and although private pension schemes are invariably included among the fringe benefits offered it is extremely unlikely that any of the young men appointed will be permitted to serve their companies long enough to draw their pensions as they, in their turn, will

be conveniently disposed of when their employers consider it desirable. While I do not think this necessarily applies to manual workers it most certainly applies to the white-collared and executive sections of the working community and in my view the situation has already reached alarming proportions.

I have personal experience of a number of prominent national and international companies which, only a few short years ago, were staffed by men of all ages up to retirement age who enjoyed a reasonable degree of job security, but whose companies today have disposed of most, if not all, of their older men and are now staffed exclusively by young men who frequently fall victim to a rate of staff turnover which goes beyond belief.

It seems that young men starting their working lives today have very little chance of finding future careers with companies which, in their own interests, would once have been pleased and proud to offer young men precisely that. All that most young men can now look forward to is a period of temporary employment for 20 years or so if this present trend continues so what price the private pension scheme under these circumstances?

JOHN M. GLAUM Bournemouth

Memories of cannibalism Dealing with motorway trial madness

FROM THE Rt Hon. NICHOLAS DANKWERTS SIR—I have read the account of the cannibalism case of Regina v Dudley and Stephens by Patrick Marsham in the Daily Telegraph Magazine with interest.

The trial took place at Exeter on Nov. 7, 1824, before Baron Huddleston. My father, W. O. Dankwerts (later W. O. Dankwerts, K.C.), was sent down to Exeter to prosecute the case quite a young man—he was called to the Bar in 1878 and would have been 21 then.

When he arrived at Exeter he was told that if he obtained a conviction he would probably be lynched, as the accused were Exeter men and the crowd would be very large. My father did obtain a conviction of Dudley and Stephens, having entered a "polite plea" against Brooks so as to enable him to use Brooks as a witness (Brooks took no part in the actual killing of Parker).

An incident that my father mentioned to me was that while awaiting trial Dudley, at a jerry dinner, had got a white brooch and cut his bottom, so that he had to stand throughout the trial.

HAROLD DANKWERTS Lincoln's Inn.

In the boat

SIR—The boy that was eaten at sea was my father-in-law's youngest brother. Your account is quite correct. They did not try to save the remains. Richard, they were in the boat when they were picked up. I have two of Mr Parker's family living with me, one 80, the other 79. D. A. PARKER Shirley, Haunts.

Ignorance on television

SIR—As a regular, careful and I hope intelligent television viewer of television I am often astonished at the ignorance of the young people who pontificate to us on the advantages and benefits of the permissive society and its alleged superiority over the past.

From what they say it appears that they have little knowledge not only of their own history, but also of the more recent past, and so are not competent to compare it with the present or take a balanced and realistic view. For example I was amused when Ludovic Kennedy showed blank astonishment when it was pointed out that there was a third alternative to contraception, an abortion—namely, self-control. That point of view did not appear to have occurred to him.

Then Esther Rantzen (for whom I have great admiration for her part in "Braden's Week") was gravely astonished when the Rt. Rev. Trevor Huddleston said his father was a sailor. Did she imagine that no sailor could be a practising Christian or that his son might wish to become a priest?

Barrie Crawley seemed to doubt that Christian Africans liked high Anglican services with vestments, colour, incense, etc. Does she know so little of human nature as not to realise that, just as people will fill their homes with beauty and colour, many people wish to beautify their churches especially if they are deprived of it in their homes through poverty?

Christianity seems to be dismissed as a silly religion which is certainly not. After all was not its Founder's first miracle to help make a friend's wedding reception? It is the joy and beauty of Christianity which should appeal to the rational young.

DOROTHY ST HILL BOUNES Farnham, Surrey.

Aircraft noise

SIR—The findings on aircraft noise referred to by Mr P. F. Carter-Ruck (Sept. 16) are not those of the Department of Trade and Industry but those of an independent research organisation who were commissioned to carry out a second survey of aircraft noise around Heathrow Airport in 1967 to follow up the first survey in 1961.

"Basic human considerations" are vital factors when the Department is faced with often difficult choices concerning aircraft. Much constructive effort goes into routing aircraft to be a minimum, and a quite severe financial burden is placed on operators in meeting the noise abatement measures we lay down for the public's protection.

Severe restrictions on summer night flights have been enforced at Heathrow for many years and have been imposed this year at Gatwick. There are intended to strike a fair balance between the interests of those on the ground and those who wish to travel by air, and fall far short of the "inter disaster" which Mr Carter-Ruck alleges.

Finally, the Government's decision to build the third London Airport at Farnham, offering the prospect of relief elsewhere when it becomes operational and the possibility of closing Stansted altogether is further evidence of the Government's attitude towards this problem of modern times.

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Memory makes for leniency

LABOUR'S Chief Whip, Robert Mellish, should have a sneaking sympathy for the 74 Opposition M.P.s who spurned Mr Wilson's advice and forced a vote on Thursday night at the end of the Ulster debate.

A Roman Catholic, he took part in a similar revolt as a young back-bencher in 1949. With 12 other M.P.s he voted against the Labour Government on the second reading of the Ireland Act.

This Act, arising out of Eire's decision to leave the Commonwealth, reaffirmed the constitutional position of Ulster. Mr Mellish felt strongly about partition.

Mr Attlee, then Prime Minister, saw that he paid for his defiance. Mr Mellish received a strong letter from the Chief Whip, William Whiteley, and lost his unpaid post as P.P.S to the First Lord of the Admiralty.

He can be a tough disciplinarian when he thinks the issue demands it. But he will not be taking any action against Thursday night's rebels.

Without precedent

MR WILSON seems to have been wrong when he suggested after the debate on Northern Ireland that there were precedents which would enable the Prime Minister to circulate in Hansard the part of his winding-up speech he was unable to deliver when the vote was forced a minute early.

The clerks I gather advised the Speaker that they had nothing to justify such a course of action and Mr Heath got round the problem by issuing his text later to the Press.

Hansard, which has a rule that it reports only what is spoken in the Chamber, apart from written answers to questions, must have been relieved by the decision. The American idea that M.P.s should be able to "write into the record" speeches they have been unable to deliver has never received much support at Westminster.

A raid not in vain

BEFORE yesterday Britain's last large-scale action against Soviet subversive activities was on May 12, 1927, when the Arcos offices in Moorgate were raided. These, next to the Soviet Trade Commission offices, were occupied by a British-registered com-

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pany whose name was an acronym of All-Russian Co-Operative Society. Special Branch men searched Russian and British employees of Arcos and even blew open safes in the Soviet offices next door when the delegation refused to open them for inspection.

The main object of the raid, a purloined War Office document, was not found. Mr Baldwin later explained to the House of Commons. But he added that documents which were found showed that the Soviet mission had been exceeding its authorised functions and indulging in military espionage. The affair, not surprisingly, marked the start of a long ice-age in Anglo-Russian relations.

As it started

THE 40 men, 20 each side, at Chippenham School who will play today the game of rugby as it was first played 110 years ago, are naturally taking it very seriously. Rugby Union headquarters at Twickenham have been consulted to ensure that the appropriate rules are applied.

Hence there will be no referee and control of the game will be left to the two captains. But XV in particular, "No hacking with the leg or unless below the knee is fair," is giving rise to some anxious speculation among the players, I hear.

The game, between the school Governors XX and the B.C. Bristol Club XX, is in aid of the Cheshire Home. However, it does the school art department is ensuring that the players will at least look the part in 1871-style kit.

Home care

THOUGH Prof. Asa Briggs, who has been taken ill with malaria, is chairman of the committee investigating the state of nursing in the Health Service, I learn that he has received all his treatment at his home near Lewes.

Prof. Briggs, Vice-Chancellor of Sussex University, is believed to have caught the fever while attending the recent Association of Commonwealth Universities' Conference in Ghana. It was only diagnosed as such, however, 10 days after his return.

The most lunatic example of trends—this I have come across recently—is that in New York a Mass was celebrated in the Episcopal Cathedral of St John the Divine—in celebration of the fact that "Hab" had completed a three-year run on Broadway.

Face to face

DAPHNE CHARLTON, confronted at the New Grafton Gallery this week with a portrait of herself painted 50 years ago by Stanley Spencer, said ruefully: "I look like a thrashed dog."

Spencer broke off in a fury while still working on the portrait in 1911 and did not finish it until several years later. Now, already sold, it is hanging in the gallery's fourth annual



Interrupted sitting

exhibition devoted to work done from 1899 onward.

David Wolfers, the director, is particularly keen to promote artists like Henry Lamb, Vanessa Bell—who was Virginia Woolf's elder sister—Duncan Grant and John Nash. He thinks they are all underestimated.

Nash, at the age of 79, has only just received the ultimate accolade. He told Wolfers: "My accountant wanted to buy one of my pictures. He thought it would be a good investment."

Taking no risks

THE acquittal of Capt. Ernest Medina on all charges arising out of the My Lai massacre represents yet another feather in the cap of F. Lee Bailey, America's most celebrated young defence lawyer.

In 1968, when only 33, Mr Bailey stepped America by getting Dr Sam Sheppard cleared of the murder of his first wife after he had already served nine years. In 1967 he defended the self-confessed Boston strangler, Albert Desario.

The cases helped bring Mr Bailey so many clients that he bought his own Lear jet to fly across the country quickly to represent them all. His income rose to £100,000 a year or more almost overnight.

But when I met him last in Boston it was not his forceful personality and legendary habit of jabbing out his finger in emphasis points which struck me most: it was the pistol he carried under his jacket—a precaution not uncommon among American lawyers.

The new literacy

MAX BELOFF neatly embodies in two sentences his view of Oxford today in the latest issue of Twentieth Century, which is entirely devoted to that great university:

"When did a college tutor last take a reading party to the Lakes or to Switzerland?—if he took one now, he would probably have to read aloud to his charges."

PETERBOROUGH



"I suppose some of them think it's in the B.C.C."

NEISON BRIGGS Director of Administration London Borough of Hammersmith London, W.6

Heavy lorries

SIR—It is high time that something was done about the complacency of the British driver. As your lead (Sept. 14) rightly suggests a multi-stage and comprehensive system of testing must be introduced immediately.

Hauliers and fleet operators heavy goods vehicles spend a sm fortune each year (which nature is passed on to the consumer) on the plating and testing of vehicles. Involves a meticulous and costly test of equipment. But the majority drivers of vehicles up to 12 tons today's roads have not even had check test to ascertain their capabilities.

Recent regulations have been introduced to give a very comprehensive test for driving heavy vehicles but all those driving regularly (th ever badly) are exempted.

GRAHAM R. J. FRY Training Officer Southern Motor School Crawley, Sussex

Tax burden

SIR—Mr J. E. T. Walker's letter, road haulage (Sept. 15) resurrected number of road haulage.

The road transport industry in taxation nearly twice as much its share of total road costs. It can be said therefore it is subsidised the railways rather than the other way about. These are not the industry's figures but official ones taken by the former Ministry Transport.

The road cause of congestion is the heavy vehicle but the total adequate roads that it is still left to use in many parts of the country.

Trade and industry are avid of rail services because these provide the required efficiency and cost. Even goods that go by rail need also to make two journeys, road.

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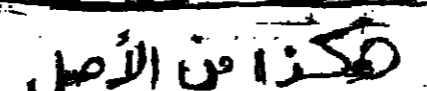
Russian roulette

SIR—Mr David Holloway (Sept. 16) believes that "A Sort of Life" unfinished portrait of Graham C. He suggests that because Greene has encountered feelings boredom throughout his life might have become bored with his autobiography.

As he supports this view to a extent by referring to the experience of Russian roulette, would like to correct his mischievous interpretation of the "game" of roulette. For the shell to explode it comes to rest at the top of the and be hit by the firing-pin. shell is in one of six holes, it is that there is a one-to-six chance of exploding and that one is 1/6 "dicing with death."

The truth is that there is no chance of the gun firing the revolving parts are well the shell will not settle bottom of the barrel.

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COMPANY HIGHLIGHTS

Raybeck pushes up dividend

FASHION group Raybeck is to make a one-for-five scrip issue and is paying and increasing higher dividends. For 1970-71 the company is to pay 10p...

Alcoa cuts back again

JOHN BIG cutbacks in aluminium production have been announced by Alcoa. Output at its Canadian smelters will be reduced by 60,000 tons...

Pots cuts final

CUT in its final 4-50 cents a share for 1971 has been announced by Potash. The company is to pay 10p...

Fields shine

ANNUAL 1971 reports from the gold mines in the Gold Fields Group are bright. Output for 1971 is expected to be 10.5 million ounces...

rip from Anglo-Thai

FINAL dividend of 8 p.c. by Anglo-Thai Corporation lifts the share price to 25p. The company is to pay 10p...

in slashes payment

OF 25 p.c. in Roan Consolidated Mines fourth quarter dividend to 4.5p. The company is to pay 10p...

ter faces refusal

STATION to Slater Walker's offer yesterday for the 58.4 of Argyle Securities is expected to be refused...

razil launches port drive in footwear market

BRAZILIAN leather and footwear exhibition which is being held at the Trade Centre in Sao Paulo...

Shell considers cutback in UK chemical plans

By ROLAND GRIBBEN

SHELL'S chemicals company is conducting a wide-ranging review of its United Kingdom activities that could lead to cutbacks. The company's 4,000-plus employees have been warned that the overall level of profitability is not satisfactory...

The review is expected to be completed by the end of the year and Shell Chemicals is being cautious that it is too early to indicate what the outcome will be...

Shell's chemical investment in Britain is currently worth about £200 million, centred principally in the North West at the Carrington complex...

Total United Kingdom sales are estimated to be around £120 million a year, on a par with British Petroleum's chemical business and well behind the league table...

Shell's United Kingdom operations have been hard hit by the depressed state of the chemical industry and, coupled with another bout of internal re-



Peter Menzies, the second of ICI's three deputy chairmen to find a new career outside the company.

Menzies quits ICI to become Electricity Council chief

AIR PETER MENZIES, 59, the senior of Imperial Chemical Industries' three deputy chairmen, is to move into a public sector as the next chairman of the Electricity Council.

The move, announced yesterday, provides another indicator that changes are in the offing in the upper echelons of ICI following the appointment of Mr Jack Callard as the group's chairman.

Mr Menzies' appointment is one of two that will produce a complete change at the top of the national electricity undertaking. It was also announced yesterday that Mr Arthur Hawkins, 58, at present a full-time board member, will succeed Sir Stanley Brown, 60, as chairman of the Central Electricity Generating Board in July.

Mr Stanley was originally invited to take over from Sir Norman Elliott, 63, at the Electricity Council, but refused on the grounds that he wanted to retire after completing 40 years in the industry.

Drop in pay

Mr Menzies, initially approached about a month ago, will take over on April 1, around the time that another ICI deputy chairman, Mr Michael Clapham, assumes the "leadership" of British industry as president of the CBI.

Both lost out to Mr Callard in the stakes for the chairmanship, and there has been speculation that they would move away from ICI.

Mr Menzies will suffer a big drop in salary, from his present £45,000 a year to £30,000, a 33 per cent cut, but he is expected to receive a 20 per cent increase in his pension over the next two years of retirement at ICI.

He said last night that with his big financial background, he felt he could make a worthwhile contribution to the electricity industry.

His appointment runs for five years and he will have Mr Ronald Richardson, at present chairman of the North Western Electricity Board, as his deputy.

Seafield rejects higher bid by Sime Darby

SEAFIELD Amalgamated has rejected a higher bid of 55p a share by Sime Darby, Malaysia's largest industrial group.

On assets the group lays claim to a holding of 750 shares in Seafield, valued at £375,000, compared with £194,000 in the company's books.

Seafield is also forecasting profits of £2.15 million for the year to the end of 1971, compared with £1.94 million. This includes acquisition profits from its oil and gas operations.

Initial reaction from Sime Darby's advisers, Rothschild, was that the bid was only partly relevant because the properties were not readily saleable, except over a long period.

Revised terms of the bid are for every 10 Seafield shares three Sime Ordinary and 355p of 3 p.c. unsecured loan stock 1978.

The warrants underwritten at 25p for the warrants and par for the loan stock.

New Ladbroke bid wins Arbiter and Weston

LADBROKE chairman Mr Cyril Stein has won control of Arbiter and Weston, the bingo hall enterprise, with an increased offer of 74p a share worth just over £2 million.

Ladbroke started its bidding at 50p a share following its purchase of a 24 p.c. stake in the company from former shareholders, including the one-time owner of the Lucey Seven group of bingo halls sold to A and W four years ago.

A & W directors, with around 20 p.c. of the shares, have irrevocably accepted the new bid, and holders of a further 10 p.c., including the balance of the former Oweney shares, have indicated acceptance.

A & W directors are forecasting that unquoted figures for the first quarter of 1971-72 will be a net profit of £1.2 million, an increase on £0.8 million for the year to March 31, 1972.

Mr Stein said last night that the bid was a "very important" step in the development of the bingo division and the 30 A and Weston halls would become the nucleus of this operation.

He hoped to increase this to at least 100 halls in the immediate future.

Trading level not what Trust Houses hoped for

THE disappointing interim results from Trust Houses Forte released towards the end of July turned out to be rather more indicative of the trend than they seemed at the time.

Whether profits will in fact exceed last year's at all is not clear, but chairman Lord Crowther said yesterday that there was "no disaster" in the company.

Meanwhile the interim dividend was maintained at 1.25p a share, payable on Oct. 27. Full figures for the year to Oct. 31, 1971, are due next March.

Centrovincial loss in Europe

CENTROVINCIAL Estates, the property group run by Mr Joe Gold and his brother Bernard, lost £348,985 in Europe in the year to March 25, 1971, and is terminating its European business.

This is disclosed in the results for the year. The European side apart, pre-tax profits moved up from £366,675 to £370,283, including dealing profits of £189,745 (£82,444).

The directors report that satisfactory progress has been made at home and in South Africa, while in Australia the total investment and commitment has risen to £12 million.

The dividend is held at 2.5p per share, with an unchanged final of 1.5p a share, although after providing for the losses on the Continent this is not covered by the year's profits.

Alliance accepts £11.2m offer

IN A SURPRISE deal, Cornwall Property (Holdings), headed by Slater Walker protégé Mr Ronald Shuck, is acquiring Alliance property, the company involved for the last few weeks in acrimonious battles with Mr James Rowland-Jones's Baglan Property Trust.

Cornwall is making an agreed bid worth £11.2 million, valuing each Alliance share at 111.5p, 33p more than the stock market price before the deal was announced.

For every four Alliance units, Cornwall is offering three of its shares with 197p nominal of 10 p.c. partly convertible loan stock. There will be a 105p per share cash alternative.

Gilts stride ahead as major equities falter

AMERICAN influences cast a shadow over London stock markets yesterday, with local operators somewhat concerned about the outcome of the Washington currency talks. Dealers were saying that the American import surcharge, which was expected to be only of short duration, might now continue for some months to the detriment of British exporters.

In this uncertain atmosphere, many leading and popular industrial trends moved lower in the Financial Times Ordinary share index, which on Thursday was only 0.8 below its 1971 peak, came back 2.5 to 437.5.

Industrial share dealers were also of the opinion that the bulk of investment money was being placed in the fixed-interest market and a further good advance in British Government securities seemed to support this theory.

The "longs" were again in the limelight and net gains of £1 were secured by Treasury 9 p.c. 1984, at 2106.5, and Treasury 6 p.c. 1985-88, at 2283. Unquoted War Loan 3 1/2 p.c. rose to 200p, the recognised benchmark of the gilt-edged market, but a new 1971 "high" with a rise of 1/4 to 42 1/2.

Second-line equities continued to provide scattered bright features. The takeover aspects were at work in Dennis Brothers, 12 higher at 138p, after 122 1/2p, Waterman, 11 better at 162 1/2p, after 165 1/2p, Valor, 10 up at 42 1/2p, and Morris and Blakey, 15 to the good at 90p, Tigon Group, a big disappointment this week to subscribers at 90p, rose 7 p.c. to 96 1/2p, after 89 1/2p, while Wheelock Marden ended 17 down at 199p.

Steady-to-firm conditions persisted in leading bank shares, Barclays closing 4 higher at 582p and National Westminster 6 better at 566p. Elsewhere in financials, buyers favoured Hambros, at 355p, Dalton Farson at 350p, and J. E. Vassauer at 152p.

Dealers expressed satisfaction with the interim figures from Associated Portland Cement, which ended 9 up at 385p, after 352p. Tunnel "B" rose to 200p in sympathy. A better trend in Richard Costain continued well after the official close of the market and the shares ended 7 higher at 200p.

Imperial Chemical Industries fell 5 points to 325p. Elsewhere in the "blue chips" Dunlop were a nervous market at 157p (down 6) on reports of redundancies, which sellers also held the shares in Glaxo, 11 lower at 4 1/2p, and Beecham Group, 3 off at 50 1/2p.

Brown Brothers and Albany eased 3 points to 186p, while Standard 7.75 were similarly lower at 134p in sympathy. The two companies are in merger negotiations and the market expects Brown Brothers to make a one-for-one share-exchange offer for Standard 7.75. Pending the outcome of the respective bid situations, Arbitrer and Weston reacted 6p to 67p, but Newall Machine Tool hardened to 35p.

The increased interim dividend left Richards and Wallington firmer at 79p, but disappointing half-yearly statements were reflected in lower levels for Dexon, at 25p; Alfred Marks Bureau, at 123p; and

Staffordshire Public Works, at 54p. The shares of precious metal refiners Johnson Matthey dropped 19 points to 245p on the disappointing results from the platinum producers. Among the latter, "Fos" fell 11 more to 87p.

After their recent good advance on the better-than-expected interim figures, B.S.R. reacted 11 to 435p on profit-taking. Other dull electricals were G.E.C. at 154p; Gecore, at 129p; and E.M.I. at 131p, but buyers favoured Aerther, at 82p, and Westforth Electrical, at 102p.

In engineers, Guest Keop fell 8 to 570p and Tube Investments 9 to 438p, but Hamilton Standard strengthened to 265p on demand in a thin market.

Selected property shares readily responded to buying activity. Stock shortages accentuated gains in Brumston "A", 17 higher at 549p; Saring Estates, 15 up at 225p; and Stock Conversion, 20 to the good at 42p.

Pleased that the "situation" in the air in the market cleared the air in the market situation of British Petroleum, dealers were looking for a rally in the shares. This duly occurred and the B.P. price ended 10 points up at 470p after 460p. Burmah was 4 better at 44p in sympathy. In the plantation group, Camella Investments attracted interest at 85p, a rise of 8.

Among Kafirs, Anglo-American Corporation fell 12 to 288p on small selling after the interim results. Other dull spots included Consolidated Gold Fields, at 197p, and "J-homes" at 121 1/2p, the latter affected by the news from the platinum companies. West Dries, however, rose 6 to 858p on the forecast of a higher dividend payment.

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Biggest container ship launched

By ROBERT BEDLOW

THE CONVENTIONAL cargo liner on the main ocean routes will cease to be economic within a few years, Sir Andrew Crichton, chairman of Overseas Containers, said this week. The death knell of conventional liner shipping was already tolling and growing louder daily, he added.

The five ships will work in conjunction with the three Ben Line ships, four Hapag Lloyd and five Japanese vessels to provide regular and frequent sailings.

Sir Andrew defended container leading and refuted criticisms that the overall investment, ashore and afloat, was too

big, that the cost was loaded on to the user, on whom it was being imposed, and that containerisation was being developed too rapidly.

"I suggest that the need, both economic and physical, to move by land and sea, the non-homogeneous goods of international exchange, as nearly as feasible in bulk, rather than piecemeal, patently obvious and inevitable," he said.

Investment was high but the new systems had to be introduced as a whole and not over the years as in the conventional context. Containers had been introduced just in time as the cost of investment had soared.

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Hartley Baird rivals seek counsel's advice

IF THE SITUATION surrounding Hartley Baird was confused before the extraordinary meeting on Thursday (recommended by the Court to establish the validity of directorships) it is now immeasurably more so.

When wrangling over the poll ceased late on Thursday night, Mr Martin Moir's rebel associates found themselves with a clear majority and formed a board. Their first actions were to seek Counsel's advice on the legality of their situation.

This, of course, is exactly what Dr Wallersteiner's team was up to, and if the Moir-Briscoe-Metzger faction were first off the mark with their version of the poll results, Wallersteiner's team were first in with Counsel's opinion as to why they were still in power.

Here the argument becomes technical in the extreme—though anyone who followed the Dollar Land case through its incredible convolutions will find a remarkable similarity between that case and this.

The self-styled sitting tenant, former chairman Wallersteiner, rests his case on two propositions. One is that Moir's dissenting shareholders did not give proper notice of "special business"—that is, their proposals to nominate directors. Moir's party point out that this is just what the meeting was called to do, as "special notice" was unnecessary and "due notice" was given.

Further, they contend that Wallersteiner's claim to have held the chair throughout the "extraordinary" meeting by right of his chairmanship of the company itself is rubbish—if there was no doubt that Wallersteiner was chairman of the company there would never have been any need for the Court to suggest a special meeting to elect him.

So there appears to be good reason in law for disputing Wallersteiner's automatic assumption of the chair. In such cases a chairman is usually elected from the floor by a show of hands.

On the question of proxies, Wallersteiner argues that since the proxies employed were in the form frequently used before then they must be valid. Hence his claim that an uncontested "show-of-hands" election after Moir (as chairman of the meeting) had concluded the proceedings clinched the re-election of the former directors.

To this it is objected that if the proxies were inadmissible on Thursday, then all previous proxy votes were equally null and void—something which strengthens the Court's impression that the directors should be properly re-elected.

And since the Court was not satisfied on points of detail it is all the more important to get it right—which includes Wallersteiner's directors giving formal notice of their willingness to serve, which perhaps too complacently they didn't bother to do.

Sterling area reserves minimum cut

By CLIFFORD GERMAN

STERLING AREA countries are free to cut the minimum amount of their reserves which they must hold in sterling by 10 p.c. under the terms of the Basle Agreement, renewed this week.

The British Government will continue to guarantee the dollar value of all the sterling held in excess of 10 p.c. of its total reserves.

The terms of the agreement apply to the countries which have agreed to renew their three-year agreement since 1973, and to those which signed a five-year agreement in 1968.

The reduction in the MSP (minimum sterling provision) reduces Australia's obligation to hold sterling from 40 p.c. to 30 p.c. of its reserves. New Zealand's MSP comes down from 70 p.c. to 65 p.c. and Malaysia's from 40 p.c. to 30 p.c. of its total.

The agreement is the first step in implementing Mr Heath's promise to President Pompidou that Britain would do everything possible to reduce the role of sterling as a reserve currency. But in practice the

new agreement is unlikely to have much immediate impact. Sterling is probably the best available reserve which the sterling area countries could hold. Most of them hold well above their MSP and few are likely to take advantage of the concession allowing them to run their sterling holdings down.

The only effective alternative is the dollar, which still looks a more likely candidate for devaluation than sterling in any currency realignment which comes to pass. Deutchmarks and Japanese yen might be "harder" currencies but they are scarce commodities and any attempt to acquire them is likely to push their prices sharply higher until both currencies are floating.

Since the United States suspended the convertibility of dollars into gold it has become virtually impossible for sterling area countries to exchange sterling for gold. In practice the sterling area countries can claim on the \$2,000 million put up in Basle by Britain's backers in September 1968.

This backing has also been renewed by the central bankers in Basle for a further two years.

agreement, although negotiations are still going on with one other country, possibly Malta. Libya is now free to convert all its sterling holdings into other currencies, which would have struck terror into the Treasury's heart even two years ago.

Now the possibility does not worry Britain, while Libya is unlikely to exercise its freedom to switch unless it positively prefers to take a risk with its money for political reasons.

The amount of sterling held by sterling area governments has risen sharply from £712 million at the end of 1968 to £1,397 million at the end of June, 1971, as a result of the Basle guarantee and the combination of income and security which sterling offers.

Commercial holders of sterling area have increased their holdings from £979 million to £1,196 million over the same period. Commercial holders have no guarantee against devaluation of sterling but they can claim on the \$2,000 million put up in Basle by Britain's backers in September 1968.

This backing has also been renewed by the central bankers in Basle for a further two years.

Libya is the only country which has refused to renew its

entirely there are virtually Brazilian shoes sold in - but exports this year to reach 840 million to emphasize its widening v beyond the traditional States market. e problems remain in e adapting manufacture open styles and obtain- reliable delivery, but starts with considerable advantages both of and raw materials. Brazil with large cattle raising in the world with nearly dillion head of which is slaughtered annually. production of shoes is 85 million pairs and ing rapidly.

# Cadbury Schweppes

## INTERIM STATEMENT FOR 1971

The Directors have declared an Interim Dividend of 4.75% (same) on the Ordinary Stock, less tax at 33.75%.

The Dividend will be paid on 6 December 1971 to Stockholders on the Register of Members at the close of business on 8 November 1971.

	First Half 1971	1970 (adjusted Note 1)
	£000's	£000's
	24 weeks	24 weeks
Group turnover	129,661	121,671
Group trading profit	9,203	8,611
Exceptional items	(441)	(441)
Investment income	8,203	8,170
Interest payable	139	219
Profit before taxation	9,342	8,589
Estimated taxation	1,695	1,651
Profit attributable to minority interests	7,647	6,758
Profit attributable to Cadbury Schweppes Ltd.	3,420	3,254
Dividends	4,237	3,524
Profit retained	156	285
Profit attributable to Cadbury Schweppes Ltd.	4,071	3,259
Dividends	2,340	2,340
Profit retained	1,731	899

**NOTES**

1. The interim results for 1970 have been adjusted for the purpose of comparison in respect of the following—

a. The change in the accounting dates of the subsidiaries in Australia and South Africa at the end of 1970 so that the results now conform with the other companies in the Group. (The 1970 annual accounts included the results of Schweppes Australia and Schweppes South Africa for periods of 18 and 19 months respectively.)

b. The sale of the McColl retail interests in October 1970.

2. The profit before taxation of associated companies attributable to Cadbury Schweppes Ltd. is £32,000 compared with a loss of £10,000 in the same period last year. These results are not included in the statement.

These half year figures represent the first benefits of fully merged operations across the whole of our Company. Also for 1971 it has been possible to draw up the interim accounts on a consistent time scale for all companies. As a result comparisons with the first half of 1970 need amendment and this is dealt with in the notes attached to the interim figures. At a time when rationalisation is still proceeding, increases of 7% in turnover and 13% in profit before tax mark a satisfactory performance against difficult market conditions.

Your business is on the whole meeting its profit targets with Confectionery and Overseas Groups leading the Company in providing the increased benefits foreseen at the time of the merger. Progress made at the half year has been continued in the period up to mid August. We have now merged our Cake operations in a new joint company with United Biscuits Ltd. (McVitie and Cadbury Cakes Ltd.). Further streamlining of our food manufacturing facilities is proceeding and the closure of our Kirkby meat packing plant has been announced. Results in Foods are not up to budget, although this has to be set against a generally depressed total food market.

Shareholders should know that we have donated £10,000 to the "Keep Britain Tidy" movement. To meet the demands of our customers and those of normal urban living conditions it is inevitable that new forms of packaging of all kinds will constantly be introduced. This trend does not create litter until packaging material or containers are thoughtlessly disposed of, and we hope that all shareholders will join with us in supporting the "Keep Britain Tidy" campaign.

Looking ahead to the year end, and our important Christmas trade, much depends on whether a real expansion of the economy follows the measures taken by the Government. So far as the sectors of the economy in which your Company operates are concerned, there are as yet no very firm signs of such expansion. Your Company is now at a level of efficiency where full advantage can be taken of all trading opportunities and we shall certainly get our full share of increased trade if expansion really takes over.

For the future we are now planning on the assumption that Britain will be a member of an enlarged European community. This will offer your Company considerable scope for further profitable development in Europe without in any way inhibiting development elsewhere in the world. In this regard it will be important that the Government's proposals for a value added tax are in harmony with the EEC.

The Rt. Hon. Viscount Watkinson, P.C. CH. Chairman.

## BRITISH RELAY

Points from the Review by the Chairman, Lord Renwick of Coombes, K.B.E., circulated with the Annual Report, 1971.

• The profit for the year was adversely affected by exceptional circumstances and severe cost inflation, the effect of which is more acutely felt in a relay than in a rental business.

• Since the abolition of the Hiring and Hire-Purchase controls the demand for colour has increased threefold for rental and fivefold for relay and the dominant consideration must be to take maximum advantage of the opportunity now afforded.

• All the cash generated in the Group's trading should be concentrated in exploiting the immediate growth possibilities. To this end no Final Dividend will be recommended at the Annual General Meeting.

• While the major impact upon revenues of the increased level of business will not be felt until next year the conditions are right for achieving the volume of income growth that the relay business needs.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at Hall 15 Winchester House, 100 Old Broad Street, E.C.2, on Friday 15th October 1971 at 12 noon.

BRITISH RELAY WIRELESS AND TELEVISION LIMITED

### COMPANIES

#### David Brown

MR JOHN MALLABAR and Mr Allan Avison have retired from the board of the troubled David Brown Corporation and Mr Alan D. Worton has resigned. Mr John E. King, chairman of Daniels Motor Holdings, deputy chairman of Babcock and Wilcox and Skefko has joined the board.

#### Seiko

SEIKO, which has set up a British subsidiary to market its calculators and electronic products, will leave Anglo-Continental Clock Company as sole distributor of clocks and watches.

#### Sidac

BECAUSE of differences over company policy, Mr Charles Farrell has resigned as group managing director of British Sidac and from his other directorships in the group. Mr Myles Cooke, finance director, has also resigned from the boards. Mr Ronald D. Gardiner has been appointed group managing director.

#### IN BRIEF

**Aberdeen Construction Group:** First-half profit £234,148 (£243,989) on turnover £14.85 million (£14.85 million); interim 8½ p.c. (8½), pay Dec. 10.

**Alfred Marks Bureau:** First-half profit £200,000 (£182,500) before tax £24,000 (£26,825); interim 12½ p.c. (12½), pay Nov. 3.

**Anglo-Swiss Holdings:** First-half profit £90,000 (£150,000); interim 5 p.c. (5), pay Oct. 15. Prospects are not good and final will be no more than 5 p.c. (5).

**Argyle Securities:** Final 5 p.c. pay Dec. 21, making 9.17%.

**Associated Fisheries:** Interim 7 p.c. (6) on Nov. 8; half-time profits £285,000 (£245,000) and trend has continued to improve.

**British Canadian Trust:** Net pre-tax revenue £210,151

(£213,775); 5½ p.c. as forecast, interim 9½ (9½).

**Burdene Investments:** Group profit £26,484 (£25,010) before tax £18,714 (£27,705), final 13 p.c. on larger capital, making 25 (25).

**Central Provinces Managers:** Ore pre-tax profit about £184,000 (£26,968); 4 p.c., pay Oct. 22, making 12 (10).

**Dorada Holdings:** First-half profit £301,000 (£234,000) on turnover £9.55 million (£7.32 million); interim 9 p.c. (8), pay Nov. 18.

**Electrical Components:** Group profit £715,397 (£689,182) before tax £283,212 (£322,767); dividend 16 p.c. (12-87 p.c.).

**George Mallinson and Sons:** First-half profit £84,139 (£57,814); interim 2½ p.c. (2½), pay Nov. 15.

**George M. Wiley:** First-half profit £188,000 (£189,000); interim 7½ p.c. (7½), pay Nov. 5.

**Grooved Securities:** First-half profit £378,000, before tax £152,000. Interim 6 p.c. (equal 5), pay Nov. 18.

**Hall Engineering Holdings:** First-half profit £25,000 (same). Profits for year as a whole expected at least to equal those for 1970. Interim 9 p.c. (8), pay Nov. 2.

**John Michael (Saville Row):** Profit £108,885 (£162,947) before tax £42,713 (£75,000); final 7½ p.c. on Dec. 7, making 17½ (17½).

**Liberty and Co.:** First-half profit £95,000 (£104,000); sales £2,513,000 (£2,175,000); interim 7½ p.c. (7½), pay Nov. 15. Full-year profit likely to be below 1970 level.

**Mace Rainbow and Stone:** Loss for 24 weeks £56,745 (loss £53,704).

**Mart Investment:** Profit £75,568 (£57,358) before tax £300 (£1,850); final 7 p.c., pay Nov. 8, making 12 (10); one-for-five scrip issue.

**Modern Engineers of Bristol (Holdings):** First-half profit £24,722 (£28,665); interim 5 p.c. (11 full year), pay Oct. 29.

**North Broken Hill:** Net profit £58,257,000 for year ended June 30, 1971 compared with £58,368,000. Final 5 cents making unchanged 7.5 cents, pay Nov. 26.

**Ransomes, Sims and Jeffries:** First-half profit £28,000 (£455,000) on sales £5.6m (£6.3m). Chair-

man says there is as yet no indication of a general improvement in trading and full-year profit will be similar to that for 1970.

**Sheffield Twist Drill and Steel:** First-half profit £37,000 (£27,000) on turnover £4,205.00 (£4,234,000). Interim will be considered in November.

**Stanley Gibbons Group:** Loss for half-year £2,458 (profit £57,134); no interim (5 p.c.).

**Tiger Oats and Rival Milling:** Pre-tax profit £87 million (£85,715,000). Final 11 p.c., making 20 (19).

**Tomatin Distillers:** First-half

profit £151,600 (£128,000); interim 5 p.c. (5), pay Oct. 21.

**William Nuttall Transport Group:** Profit £106,759 (£211,138) before tax £57,585 (£24,868); final 6 p.c., making 16 (12).

**Youghal Carpets (Holdings):** First-half profit £110,012 (£38,233) on sales £6 million (£4.42 million); interim 15 p.c. (14), already known.

**Interim dividends:** H. J. Heinz, second interim 3½ p.c. (3½), pay Oct. 8. Economic Insurance, 17½ p.c. (17½), pay Nov. 2. General Mining and Finance Corp., 42.5 cents (40), pay Nov. 22.

### MONEY AND EXCHANGES

THE DOLLAR recovered partially and Eurodollar rates eased yesterday on foreign exchange markets. Sterling opened at \$2.4850 and jumped to \$2.4850, but fell back to close at \$2.4821½ after some buying of dollars by the Bank of England. Forward sterling continued very firm.

Small speculative demand pushed up gold at the morning fixing to \$42.85 an ounce, an in-

crease of 35 cents. In the afternoon it fell back 15 cents to \$42.50 in quiet trading. Silver prices edged ½ p.p. higher at the fixing to 56.6p an ounce for spot and 57.5p three months forward.

Total applications for the £180 million Treasury bills on offer were £224 million with a bid of 228.8 p.p. The syndicate received 54 p.c. of requirements and the average rate of discount fell 5.18p p.c. to 54.7531 p.c.

#### THE POUND ABROAD

The following exchange rates for the pound show yesterday's closing price first and the previous closing price second.

**London market rates quoted for:**

Argentina	12.55-12.45	12.50-12.40
Bahia	11.60-11.70	11.60-11.50
Belgium	2.48-2.50	2.48-2.50
Bombay	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Brussels	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Calcutta	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Ceylon	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Holland	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
India	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Italy	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Japan	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Norway	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Portugal	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Sweden	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
Switzerland	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50
U.S. States	12.45-12.50	12.45-12.50

#### OTHER MARKET RATES

**GOLD PRICE**  
1st Fix Dollars 42.55 2nd Fix Dollars 42.50  
Close Dollars 42.60 (Dollars 42.80)

**EURO DOLLARS**  
Seven days 10-12 1/2  
Three months 8 1/4-8 1/2 Six months 8 1/4-8 1/2

#### LOAN RATES

**BANK RATE:** 6 p.c. 2nd September, 1971

**FINANCE HOUSES BASE RATE:** 6 1/2 p.c. from September 1

**OAN:** Day-to-day 4 1/4-4 1/2  
Seven days 4 1/2

#### BANK BILLS

Three months 5-5 1/4  
Four months 5-5 1/4  
Six months 5 1/4-5 1/2

#### TRADE BILLS

Three and four months 5 1/2-5 1/4  
Six months 5 1/4-5 1/2

#### LOCAL AUTHORITY LOANS

Two days 9 1/2 Seven days 9 1/2  
One month 9 1/2 Three months 9 1/2

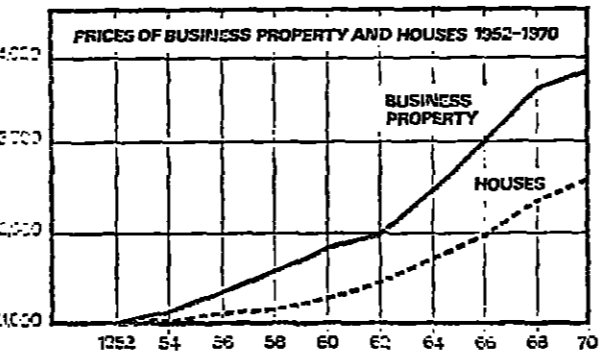
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Since the beginning of May over 5,000 people have invested more than £6,500,000 to make the launch of Hambro Property Investment Bonds the most successful ever.

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1. The security and growth potential of first-class business property.
2. Backing by Hambros, one of the most famous names in British banking.
3. Management by an outstandingly successful team, led by Mark Weinberg, with an advisory panel of property experts.
4. Increasing life assurance cover built in at no extra cost.
5. Valuable tax advantages.



**1 First-class business property**  
Everyone knows that the prices of houses have risen dramatically over the years. The graph (especially commissioned from the Economist Intelligence Unit) shows how business property has risen in value even more dramatically over the last 18 years.

Naturally, there can be no guarantee that business property prices will continue to rise at the same rate; indeed, values could fall as well as rise. But the trend has been strongly upwards, and, in our opinion, a well-selected spread of business property is likely to prove a highly rewarding investment.

The present policy of the Fund is to invest in first-rate office buildings, shops and industrial premises in the growth areas of the United Kingdom, let on long leases to good quality tenants with regular rent reviews. Initially,

up to 20% may be invested in financing new buildings in partnership with established developers. To improve yield and growth prospects, the Fund may borrow against its properties to purchase further buildings, provided total borrowing does not exceed 25%.

Rental and other income, after expenses, charges and tax, is automatically reinvested in the Fund to increase the value of your Bonds.

**2 The security of Hambros**  
Hambro Life is a member of the Hambros Bank Group and thus enjoys the backing of one of the world's leading merchant banks. The Company has a steady credit with Hambros Bank which makes it unnecessary to maintain a margin of liquidity within the Fund; it will therefore be able to make a 100% investment in property.

### How you can draw 6% p.a. tax free\*

If you invest at least £1,000 you can take advantage of the 6% per annum Cash Withdrawal Plan.

Twice a year, 3% of your Units will automatically be cashed-in and you will be sent a cheque for the proceeds. This amount is free of income and capital gains tax.

In order for your Bonds to maintain their original value, calculated at the offered price, the capital value of the Fund's investments must grow by 2½ p.a. after allowing for capital gains tax. Of course, to the extent that the capital growth is greater, the value of your Bonds will grow even after you have drawn 6% p.a. in cash. This assumes that net rental income is 3½ p.a.

\*If you're a surtax payer, you'll be liable for surtax solely on the profit element in the 6%.

### 3 Management expertise

Hambro Life is managed by a team, led by Mark Weinberg, with outstanding experience in this field - including founding the largest property bond fund in the country.

A panel of experts with wide property experience has been set up to determine the investment policy of the Fund. They are: J. E. Cullis, Chartered Surveyor; J. N. C. James of the Grosvenor Estate; and Geoffrey Morley, former investment manager of the Shell Pension Fund. A full-time property investment manager manages the Fund on a day-to-day basis.

A leading firm of Chartered Surveyors, Messrs. Jones, Lang, Wootton, will independently value the properties in the Fund at least once a year.

### 4 Increasing life assurance

Unlike any other property bond, Hambro Property Investment Bonds have built-in life assurance cover which actually increases with the value of your Bonds. This means that the amount payable to your family on your death is always in excess of the actual cash-in value of your Bonds.

**5 Tax advantages**  
Rental and other income accumulated in the Fund is subject to tax at only the reduced life assurance company rate of 27½%. It is not treated as your income for tax purposes, so that you pay no income tax on it. There may be a liability to surtax when you take out the proceeds if you are then a surtax payer, but this amount is calculated on advantageous terms.

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### Annual Report

Every year, you will be sent an Annual Report, giving a full description of all the Fund's properties, the names of tenants and details of rent reviews, together with property valuations by the independent valuers.

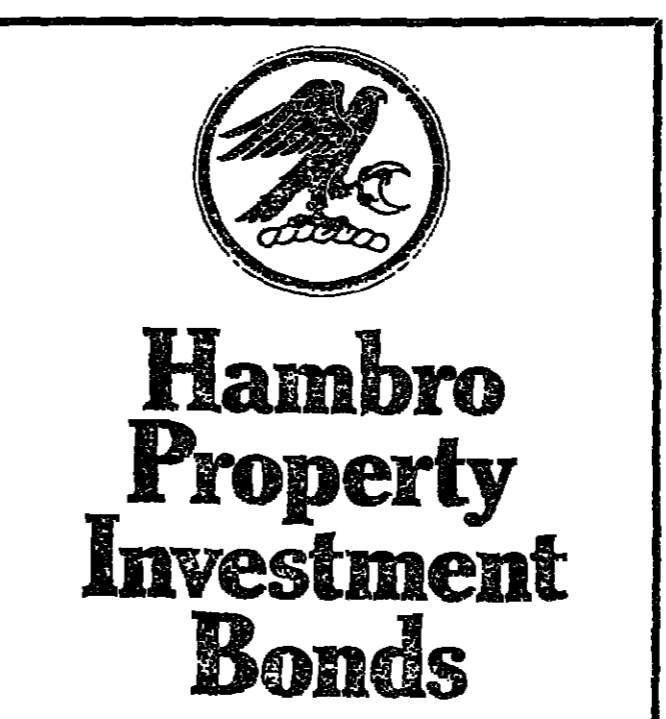
### How do I buy Hambro Property Investment Bonds?

Simply complete the application form and send it in with a cheque for the amount you wish to invest. Your application will be acknowledged within a few days.

### Send in your application and cheque now to get the benefit of Units allocated at the current offered price of £1.019. Offer closes on Thursday 30th September, 1971. After this date Units will be allocated at the price then ruling.

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Full First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
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Are you in good health and free from effects of any accident or illness?  If not, please give or attach details \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes, I am interested in this offer and will send you a copy of the prospectus and application form immediately.

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**ALL AGES ELIGIBLE—EVEN IF YOU ARE OVER 65!**

**NO SALESMAN WILL CALL—ACT NOW—THIS OFFER MAY NEVER BE REPEATED!**

Many families will have someone in hospital this year. It could be you—or a member of your family—tomorrow . . . next week . . . next month. Sad to say, despite State benefits, very few families have their incomes guaranteed during such times. And of course, all the usual household expenses still have to be paid. And National Health benefits rarely cover all these outgoings. Think . . . what would you do if you were in hospital and didn't get paid for a few months, or even a few weeks? How would your family manage? What would happen to your savings? We believe we have the answer in our EXTRA CASH PLAN that relieves you of worry when the terrible financial threats of illness or accident occur.

**Pays you £100.00 a month tax-free\* in cash whenever you have to stay in hospital**

What a blessing it is when you know you have £100.00 in cash coming in every month when you have to go into hospital. You get your £100.00 a month in cash—tax free\*—as long as you are confined in hospital. You are covered from the very first day for accidents and sickness—even for life, if necessary!

Now, this plan from London & Edinburgh enables you to enjoy this protection at once. The first month's cover for your entire family is just 10p. Then, you may continue at London & Edinburgh's regular rates.

**The added protection you NEED!**

All benefits of this £100.00 a month plan are paid directly to you, in cash, in addition to any Company, Union, National Health, BUPA or PPP benefits you receive. You are free to use these tax-free\* payments in any way you see fit. Private medical care, rent or mortgage repayments, to replace your savings, or to cover any other expense you can think of!

**We can never cancel your policy!**

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**PAYS £100.00 a month in cash** for each accident or illness which puts you in hospital. Cover for accidents begins at once. After your policy is in effect for 30 days, you are covered immediately for all sicknesses that originate thereafter.

**PAYS £100.00 a month in cash** regardless of age, even when you're 65 or over—and even for life. And, of course, you collect your benefits from the very first day you are in hospital, whether for sickness or accident.

**PAYS £100.00 a month in cash** if a child covered by the policy goes into hospital through injury or illness. Cover begins the very first day in hospital. And the benefits continue for as long as necessary.

**PAYS £400.00 a month in cash** in hospital when both husband and wife are in hospital at the same time for accidental injury for as long as both remain in hospital—and covers you even for life, if necessary.

**PAYS up to £1,000.00 in cash** for complete accidental loss of limbs or eyesight.

**Double Cash Accident Benefit**

If you and your insured wife are in hospital at the same time for an accident injury, this EXTRA CASH PLAN pays you an extraordinary double cash benefit. You receive not £100.00 but £200.00 a month. Your wife receives not £100.00 but £200.00 a month. That's £400.00 in cash payments every month, starting the day you enter the hospital for as long as you both remain there.

**Pays you up to £1,000.00 in cash for these accidental losses**

The accidental loss of limbs or eyesight can be terrible. But if such loss occurs any time within 90 days of an accident, you collect £500.00 for the complete loss of a hand or a foot or the sight of an eye—and £1,000.00 for loss of two limbs or the sight of both eyes.

**Waiver of premium benefit**

Should you—the policyowner—be in hospital for 8 consecutive weeks or more, this London & Edinburgh

EXTRA CASH PLAN will pay all premiums that come due for you and all Enrolled Members of your family while you are confined to hospital beyond the initial 8-week period. And your protection continues just the same as if you were paying the premiums yourself. This means you pay no premiums, yet your full protection remains in force for as long as you are in hospital.

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You may be surprised to learn that we will actually issue this policy to you even if you have a health problem right now, and even if it's a serious one. Yes it's true! If you are sick before you take out this policy, you will even be covered for that condition after the policy has been in effect for 2 years. Meanwhile, of course, every new condition is covered.

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**Here are your premiums**

The following premium chart shows how little it costs after the first month to enrol yourself, your wife and any family dependants. Simply add the monthly premium which applies to each person in each age bracket and the sum is the monthly premium payable for the total cover. Naturally at these rates, we can issue only one policy in this series for each family.

Members under the age of 18 covered by their parents' or guardians' policy will be protected under their own policy (regardless of their health) when they reach 18 at the rate then in effect for their age group.

Age	Monthly Premium
0-17	£0.05
18-39	1.00
40-54	1.30
55-64	1.55
65-74	2.00
75-84	2.70
85 & Over	3.35

NOTE: The regular monthly premium shown here (for age at time of enrolment) will never increase as you pass from one age bracket to the next! Once you have enrolled in this London & Edinburgh EXTRA CASH PLAN, the only way we can change your premium is if we change it for all policies in this series. It has nothing whatever to do with how much or how often you collect from us or your advancing age.

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## Your questions answered about this EXTRA CASH PLAN

**Q 1. How much will I be paid when I go into hospital?**

**A** You will receive cash at the rate of £100.00 a month (£3.33 a day). And you collect in cash for an accident or illness even if you're in hospital for only one day. And benefits are paid in full for as long as you're in hospital . . . even for life.

**Q 2. Do you pay me in cash when my children go to hospital?**

**A** Yes we do! You collect in cash at the full monthly rate whenever any of your enrolled children (age 1 month to 17 years) go into hospital.

**Q 3. When do I start to collect hospital benefits?**

**A** This new plan covers you from the very first day for accidents. After your policy is in effect for 30 days, you are covered immediately for all sicknesses that originate thereafter—even for life, if necessary! Payments are made direct to the policyowner. Since we provide lifetime benefits, this 30 day qualifying period enables us to give you broad cover at a lower cost than would otherwise be possible.

**Q 4. What if my wife and I are injured in an accident and go into hospital at the same time?**

**A** You both receive double payment if this happens. Yes, this plan pays you benefits at the rate of not £100.00, not £200.00, but £400.00 in cash every month—for as long as both of you remain in hospital—even for life!

**Q 5. Are there any other cash benefits I can collect?**

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**Q 6. Will you pay me in addition to what I receive from other health plans?**

**A** Of course we will! That's the beauty of your London & Edinburgh plan. No matter what benefits you receive from National Health or private health plans, we still pay you cash benefits at the rate of £100.00 a month—even for life. So even if other insurance has taken care of all your medical bills . . . you still have that tax-free\* cash income from this London & Edinburgh EXTRA CASH PLAN. Isn't that a nice way to end an illness?

**Q 7. How can I use my cash benefits?**

**A** Use the money any way you choose. Use it to pay for living expenses like rent, food, clothing. Or put it in the bank to replace any income you lost during your stay in hospital. Or use it to provide the comforts and amenities in hospital such as television, private room, which are often just as important to recovery as good medical care. Remember that the money is paid to you to use as you feel best.

**Q 8. Suppose I'm in hospital for a long time and can't meet my premium payments?**

**A** If you—the policyowner—are in hospital for eight consecutive weeks or more, London & Edinburgh EXTRA CASH PLAN will pay all premiums that come due for you and all Enrolled Members of your family while you are confined to the hospital beyond this initial eight-week period. This includes all premiums—for every Enrolled Member. Even if you are in for months, a year—for life. Thanks to the Waiver of Premium feature in your policy, we pay all premiums for you as long as you are in hospital. You simply go right on collecting your full £100.00 a month cash benefits just as if you were paying the premiums yourself.

**Q 9. Now tell me, what's the "catch"—what doesn't my Policy cover?**

**A** Your policy covers everything except conditions caused by: war or any act of war or civil strife; any mental disease, illness or disorder; pregnancy, miscarriage or childbirth; abortion; intoxication or the influence of any narcotic unless administered on the advice of a doctor; any illness or injury you had before the Effective Date of your policy—but even this last "exclusion" is done away with after you've been a policyholder for only two years. Everything else is definitely covered.

**Q 10. Does this plan pay in any hospital?**

**A** You are covered for care in any hospital of your choice, in any part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland with the exception of non-registered nursing and convalescent homes or similar types of facilities.

**Q 11. What are the requirements to enrol in this plan?**

**A** You must not have been refused or had cancelled any health, hospital or life insurance due to reasons of health; and you must fill in and post the enrolment form with your first month's premium of 10p.

**Q 12. Will you cancel my policy if I have too many claims? Or because of advanced age?**

**A** No—positively not! Only you can cancel. The Company cannot—no matter how many claims you have . . . how old you become . . . or for any other reason whatsoever. A Guaranteed-Renewable-for-Life clause has been printed right in your policy, and we're bound by it.

**Q 13. Besides saving money—are there any other advantages to joining this plan?**

**A** Yes, a very important one is that you don't need to complete a lengthy, detailed application—just the brief Enrolment Form in the corner of this page. It doesn't ask for a medical examination, and it doesn't set an age limit. Also, there are no extra requirements for eligibility, and no "waivers" or restrictive endorsements that can be put on your policy!

**\*Q 14. Are my benefits truly tax-free?**

**A** Yes, since the concessionary practice of the Inland Revenue is not to tax insurance benefits for up to one year of hospital confinement.

**Q 15. How do I apply?**

**A** Fill out the brief Enrolment Form and post it with just 10p for the first month's protection for your entire family.

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MR. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Please Print) MRS. Christian Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_  
MISS \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Male  Female   
Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

List all family dependants to be covered under this Plan: (DO NOT include name that appears above. Use separate sheet if necessary.)

	Name (Please Print)	Relationship	Sex	Date of Birth		
				Day	Month	Year
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						

I hereby enrol in London & Edinburgh's EXTRA CASH PLAN and am enclosing 10p as the full first month's premium to cover myself and all other Enrolled Members listed above. Neither I, nor, to the best of my knowledge and belief, any other person listed above has been refused or had cancelled any health, hospital or life insurance cover due to reasons of health. I understand that this Policy will become effective when issued and that pre-existing health and accident conditions will be covered after two years.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## ATTOCK OIL COMPANY

Mr. C. H. Elliott's Review of Operations

The 59th annual general meeting of The Attock Oil Company Limited was held on September 24 in London. The following are extracts from the circulated statement of the Chairman, Mr. C. H. Elliott:

A decline in production from the older fields is to be expected but this held up reasonably well in 1970, the decline in Attock's own share being 224,315 barrels or 19.7% compared with 1969. In the group this was partially offset by new production from Pakistan (Oilfields Limited (P.O.L.) which showed a net increase of 125,537 barrels.

Group gas production from Dhulian increased by some 5,000 million cubic feet. Gas produced from Mehal during the year contained sulphur and P.O.L. is making arrangements for the installation of gas purification and sulphur recovery plants.

Throughput at the Refinery was down 98,378 Barrels or 2.8%. We were offered 5,222 Barrels less crude by Pakistan Petroleum Limited and 16,378 Barrels more by Oil and Gas Development Corporation than the previous year.

The operating profit for the year before tax is £240,266 lower than 1969. P.O.L. is proposing to pay a final dividend of 10% making a total of 20% for the year (same).

Results from Mehal Well No. 2 have been encouraging. Under the Prospecting/Drilling Contract the approval of the Government of Pakistan is required before the production from the Mehal area can be declared commercial for the purposes of the Contract. The case is still under examination and we look for a favourable result shortly. It is very important that this should be granted so that development of the Mehal field can proceed.

It is more than usually difficult to forecast what the results may be next year. Production from the older fields will show a further decline but this should be offset by improved results from P.O.L. and as a consequence Refinery throughput should be maintained.

The report was adopted and a total dividend of 16 2/3% (same) approved.

## FAMILY MONEY-GO-ROUND

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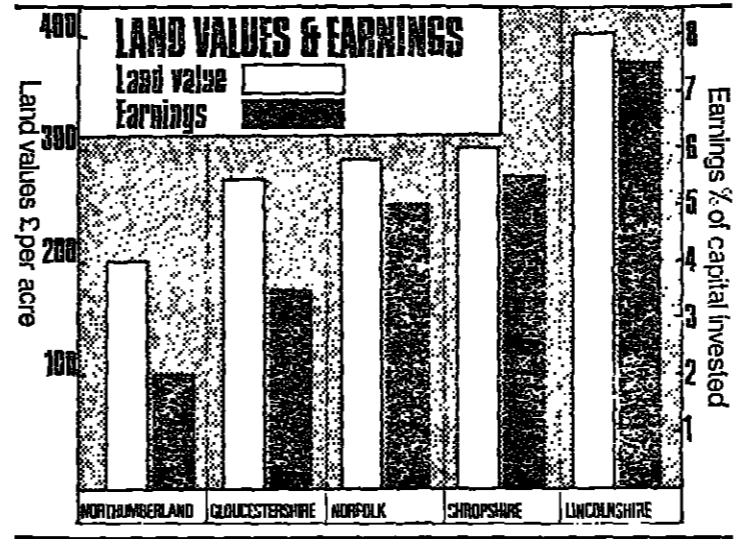
TWO CENTRAL features have dominated agriculture over the last decade. First the very tight control that Governments have exercised on commodity price levels through a range of devices, while at the same time allowing the industry to participate to the full in all inflationary pressures that have affected the cost end of the price/cost equation. Second, the consistent lift in land values which, when coupled with high interest rates, has created a considerable strain on the liquidity of the industry as a whole and on certain sectors of the industry in particular.

Laurence Gould discusses in detail the case histories of five farms which collectively represent the many and varied characteristics of farming in this country.

He is chairman and managing director of Lugg and Gould, a firm of management consultants in agriculture. In future articles he will examine each of the five farms more closely and will try to anticipate the effect that entry into the Common Market will have on their operations.



## Tradition has played too central a part



The severity of the cost/price squeeze as the inflationary screw has tightened has represented a threat to the viability of many farm businesses. It has also pushed farming towards levels of productivity increase running at a consistent 5 p.c. per annum over the last decade and outstripping that of most traditional industries.

Nevertheless all the indications are that these productivity lifts are now flattening out and with the rewards now more likely to come from the market place than the Government (over the last seven years Exchequer support for agriculture has fallen by 15 p.c. in money terms and 34 p.c. in real terms) it is worthwhile examining the viability of some of the infinite variety of farm systems operating in this country.

To some extent—though to a lesser extent than most farmers believe—patterns of farming are determined by soil type, environment, accessibility to market, size of the unit and most certainly availability of capital.

Tradition however plays a very central part in determining a farm system, and a new breed of landlords and investors will certainly be appraising land, farm systems, and their potential against a hard commercial yardstick of capital growth and percentage return on investment.

Consequently I have looked at five systems of farming all of which carry an approximate level of investment of £200,000 at a contemporary valuation, but where the return on investment ranges from 2 p.c. to 7.5 p.c.

### Northumberland

FARMER A purchased his farm 10 years ago as a sitting tenant for £65 per acre. It is an upland farm but with some lowland which enables him to grow reasonable crops of cereals. The bulk of the farm however is given over to beef production through suckling herd of blue grey cows which normally are out in winter, together with a flock of sheep. Very little has been spent on buildings but there has been heavy investment in livestock and because of the cyclic nature of this type of farming with income accruing only once a year the working capital needs are significant.

Apart from the purchase of essential machinery he installed a grain store and has built up his sheep flock from a modest beginning through the retention of ewe lambs for breeding.

His total capital outlay totalled £140,000. He is now achieving consistent surplus of £7,000 per annum, a return of 5.5 p.c. on the current value of his investment, and since 1965, when he purchased the farm, he has made a capital appreciation of just over £60,000.

capable of yielding an average of 34cwt of corn per acre. About one-third of the acreage is in grass and the balance in corn and the grass is harvested to a 120 dairy cow unit milked through a conventional yard and parlour. Farmer C inherited the farm though it would have had a value five years ago of approximately £200 per acre.

There has been very little recent investment in buildings and because of the cash flow sustained by a regular monthly milk cheque the working capital is limited. The investment levels five years ago would have been £120,000 thus leaving him with a notional capital

### Norfolk

FARMER C is pursuing a dairy cow system on good lowland

### INVESTMENT AND EXPENDITURE ANALYSIS

	Northumberland £200 per acre	Gloucestershire £270 per acre	Norfolk £290 per acre	Shropshire £300 per acre	Lincolnshire £400 per acre
ACRES	750	600	500	400	400
INVESTMENT	£	£	£	£	£
Land	150,000	162,000	145,000	120,000	160,000
Buildings & cottages	6,000	11,000	28,000	40,000	18,000
Livestock	30,000	9,000	14,000	30,000	—
Machinery	5,000	6,500	9,000	8,000	13,000
Working capital	10,000	12,500	6,000	2,000	8,000
	201,000	201,000	202,000	200,000	199,000
OUTPUT	21,000	24,000	30,000	42,000	45,000
EXPENDITURE	£	£	£	£	£
Variable	6,000	5,000	9,000	15,000	11,000
Labour	3,000	3,500	4,000	7,000	8,000
Machinery	3,000	4,500	4,000	5,000	7,000
Overheads	3,000	4,000	3,000	4,000	4,000
	17,000	17,000	20,000	31,000	30,000
SURPLUS	4,000	7,000	10,000	11,000	15,000
RETURN ON INVESTMENT	2.0 p.c.	3.5 p.c.	5.0 p.c.	5.5 p.c.	7.5 p.c.

### Gloucestershire

FARMER B in the Cotswolds has approximately 600 acres and is pursuing equally a low to moderate output system. Two thirds of the farm is in corn—primarily barley yielding 50 cwt per acre—and one third is in grass supporting a sheep flock of almost 600 ewes. The farm was bought in the open market five years ago for £120,000.

## UNITED BISCUITS (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

### INTERIM REPORT

Statement by the Chairman, Lord Craigton

RESULTS

Sales for the 28 weeks are 18% up on 1970. Profit before tax is up by 13%. However, a fine comparison of our performance with a wide range of sales up by 15% and profit up by 25%. The difference is caused by a change during the latter half of 1970 in our sales accounting method following the successful introduction of a new product range in the home market and abroad. It is our intention to continue to expand our sales in the first part of the current year to the second half. It is not a recurring variation and will not affect comparison for the full year.

INTERIM ORDINARY DIVIDEND

The directors have declared an interim dividend on the ordinary share capital for the fifty-two weeks ending 1st January 1971 of 6 p.c. (1970—5 1/2 p.c.). The interim dividend will be payable, less income tax, on 8th November 1971 to shareholders registered at the close of business on 8th October 1971.

### Consolidated Profit Statement

	28 weeks to 17th July 1971 (unaudited) £000's	28 weeks to 11th July 1970 (unaudited) £000's	52 weeks to 2nd January 1971 (audited) £000's
TURNOVER			
Biscuits, cakes, crisps and nuts	48,500	41,900	84,400
United Kingdom	1,800	1,900	3,100
Exports	50,100	43,300	87,500
Bakers and Restaurateurs	5,100	2,200	4,900
Others	1,400	500	2,100
	54,200	46,300	94,500
TRADING PROFIT before depreciation	4,900	4,513	5,185
Depreciation	1,781	1,653	3,100
TRADING PROFIT	3,121	2,860	2,085
Interest	775	824	1,565
PROFIT AFTER INTEREST	2,346	2,036	4,673
of the company and its subsidiaries	(133)	(98)	(206)
Share of losses of associated companies			
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	2,213	1,938	4,257

Note: This half year includes the results of the operations of the United Biscuits Division, which is 50 per cent. owned by United Biscuits (Canada) Limited, from 19th July 1971, from which date the trading results of that company will be included in United Biscuits (Holdings) Limited accounts as an associated company.

The share of losses of associated companies relates to United Biscuits (Canada) Limited and Biscuits NV (Belgium). Both Companies are 50 per cent. owned.

appreciation of £80,000 over the last five years. The system is currently providing a surplus of £10,000—a return of 5 p.c. on the contemporary investment.

### Shropshire

FARMER D is a specialist milk producer. On his 400 acres he is maintaining three 100 Friesian cow dairy units, the cows on each unit being milked through a herringbone parlour by one man and being fed self-feeding silage. He bought his farm out five years ago on favourable terms and set to work modernising the system and erecting the three sets of dairy buildings at different points on the farm.

The market value of the property five years ago would have been £80,000 and £40,000 that has been spent on buildings since then, together with the investment in livestock and machinery. This means that the total capital outlay has been valued at £155,000. The resources are, however, being used most effectively and generating a surplus to Farmer D of £11,000 per annum, a return of 5.5 p.c. on the total investment valued at current £200,000.

### Lincolnshire

FARMER E is on good Lincolnshire loam with a cropping sequence including potatoes, sugar beet, and winter wheat and with wheat yields averaging two tons to the acre. The farm was purchased six years ago as a sitting tenant for £80,000.

Though the profits have fluctuated over the years and the forecasts into speculative markets have not always been successful, the farm achieved a margin of £15,000 last year and a return of 7.5 p.c. on his investment, which together with a capital appreciation of £80,000 has shown a highly satisfactory return for the farmer.

Quite clearly the rewards accruing to these five farmers in terms of capital growth, income and return on investment have differed quite markedly, even within an agricultural structure which has had a very strong central governmental control. Now that firm political decisions—and in some cases purposeful, gritty non-decisions—are being taken on entering Europe, it is going to be more important than ever to recognise the rewards and opportunities of varying farm investments and farm systems.

Fortunately, management in agriculture has reached the stage where farming no longer needs to strike terror in the breasts of otherwise brave and valiant investors. The battle scars borne by some of the more distinguished City figures in their skirmishes with farming are now more in the nature of self-inflicted wounds.

In subsequent articles I will trace the likely rewards of the farm systems illustrated above in the new and exciting European context.

## DORADA HOLDINGS LIMITED

### RECORD HALF-YEAR—INTERIM RAISED

The Directors announce the unaudited results for the six months to 30th June 1971 as follows:

	Six Months to 30th June 1971	Six Months to 30th June 1970	Year ended 31st December 1970
Turnover	£3,916,000	7,025,000	13,612,000
Profit	228,000 (2.6%)	71,000 (2.5%)	1,582,000 (11.6%)
Motor Distribution	576,000 (12.3%)	512,000 (12.9%)	1,055,000 (12.3%)
Engineering	340,000 (21.0%)	582,000 (16.5%)	738,000 (8.9%)
Hire Purchase	21,000	—	—
	£9,832,000	£7,025,000	£15,405,000
Head Office expenses and results of Dorada Securities Limited	19,000	25,000	60,000
Profit before Tax	301,000	234,000	364,000
Taxation	120,000	90,000	149,000
	181,000	154,000	215,000
Dividends—Preference	12,000	12,000	25,000
Ordinary	78,000	(87) 167,000	(87) 167,000
Interim (8%)	—	—	(87) 170,000
Final	—	—	—
	90,000	79,000	—
Profit for Group retained	£91,000	£55,000	£55,000
Earnings per Ordinary Share	4.9p	5.6p	5.6p
Dividend per Ordinary Share	2.25p	2.0p	2.0p

Mr. P. A. V. Cooper, the Chairman, states: Pre-tax profits for the six months under review were a record in the history of the company, being 54 per cent. greater than last year.

The Motor Division achieved profits 45 per cent. higher than for the previous half-year on an increased turnover of 27 per cent. The Group's recent action to remove credit controls, combined with the reduction in purchases of July and August returns, is therefore reasonable to anticipate that the half-year for this Division will show further headway over last year.

In spite of unfavourable trading conditions, the Engineering Division earned increased profits on a lower turnover of which 65 per cent. was exported.

With the Motor Division continuing to trade at a higher level, a satisfactory outlook for the 1971 year may be expected and it has a further 10% increase in turnover over the 1970 year. The interim dividend of 8 p.c. (1970—5 p.c.) will be paid to shareholders on 8th November 1971 on the register at October 31st.

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## HALLITE HOLDINGS LIMITED

### ANOTHER RECORD YEAR

	1970/71	1968/70	1967/68
Group profit before tax	£600	£600	£600
Group profit after tax	452	578	578
Profits retained in group	270	210	210
Ordinary dividend	124	75	75
Dividend cover	1.8	1.6	1.6

The Chairman, Mr. J. N. Hall, in his statement paying the accounts for the 52 weeks ended 1st May, stated that—

(i) The profit and sales were a record for the Group.

(ii) The dividend for the year is raised by 1%.

(iii) The lower activity level experienced during the half of 1970/71 has continued during the early part of 1971/72.

Hallite Holdings manufactures and sells synthetic rubber plastic precision seals and components for industrial use.

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# FAMILY MONEY-GO-ROUND

## The farmer and his tax

THE farmer (if he makes any profit) does—or should—pay tax on it and it should not be too difficult for the smaller independent farmer to understand how his tax is calculated.

I have referred to the farmer's profit upon which he may pay tax. Naturally, he can, in an adverse farming year, make a loss. Such loss may be set against his other income or carried forward to diminish future profits as long as his farming is being conducted on a commercial basis with a view to the realisation of profits.

This was spelled out loudly and clearly by the Finance Act 1960 and clipped the wings of the "hobby farmer" who was until then allowed to set his losses against other income. In other words, he could indulge his "hobby" more or less at the expense of the Inland Revenue—and quite legally.

I suppose that the majority of

farmers employ professional assistance with their tax affairs. Even so, records of income and outgoings have still to be carefully retained in the form of vouchers, invoices, cheque counters, bank passbook sheets, and so on.

This leads me to suggest that the smaller farmer could still deal with his own tax if he had the time. Time for bookwork is, of course, a big problem with farmers, as it is with so many self-employed persons.

The most important factor for anybody who is considering conducting his own tax affairs is where he may obtain information relating to his specific trade, profession or organisation.

This applies particularly to the farming fraternity with its special problems, and records of arrangements between the Inland Revenue and the National Farmers' Union are maintained and can be inspected between

10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at New Wing, Somerset House, London, W.C.2 (telephone 01-836 2407, Ext. 326). Inquiries may also be made at Edinburgh and Belfast.

Many people, I am given to understand, find forms relating to anything—taxation, census, social benefits or whatever—very much simpler to complete when printed headings are set up. The farmer, I am pleased to report, has his taxation thing made very much less daunting by Form 79D.

This is a form designed with foresight and now by the Inland Revenue so that the farmer is faced with the minimum of bother and worry when completing his annual income tax return.

There would appear to be no need for me to go into detail with regard to the form 79D because the headings and notes seem to cut out any guesswork. If a farmer has kept his vouchers relating to cash paid out and cash received during the year (Section III) and can value his livestock, etc. (Section I), he has no worries.

Section II calls for farm produce, etc., consumed by family and workers boarded in. This is logical because while you and I would go to the supermarket to buy our eggs, butter and cream, our farmer would naturally help himself.

When mention is made of capital allowances for machinery and plant, one seems to conjure up something sinister enough to lead, willy-nilly, towards professional advice. I am not convinced that the smaller farmer, at least, could not complete Part IV of form 79D to the satisfaction of his Inspector of Taxes so as to claim what is rightly due to him for capital expenditure.

Don't forget that the Inland Revenue will always help those who are ready to help themselves.

BRITAIN'S fruit growers are this Autumn giving the soft sell to a firm apple and a juicy pear. It is not mere chance that the whole campaign is prefaced by the word "English." With Common Market membership in the offing the industry is making the most of present conditions and of the anticipated five-year transitional period that will follow entry into E.E.C.

## Patriotic to the core of an English apple



The Apple and Pear Development Council, a Government-sponsored body, but entirely supported by a £2-50 an acre levy on growers, means to keep its output prominent on larger shelves by appealing to our natural and instinctive loyalty to something "English."

Listen to this seasonal description of Cox's Orange Pippin. "The colour is variable, usually palish green with orange and red flush; the flesh yellowish, crisp, full of juice and richly scented." Mr Cox, who retired from brewing in the mid-eighteenth century, raised the strain from a Ribston Pippin. He would have turned his nose up at this appetising prose.

Mr Patrick Gooch took up his post as public manager only last month, and was just in time to dig in the roots of the campaign. "While we shall concentrate on influencing consumers at the point of purchase this year, television advertising will play a much larger part in promoting home grown apples and pears," explains Mr Gooch. Incidentally, Mr Gooch already has the British Farmers Award for his service in the field of past publicity campaigns. He lives in Kent.

The growing of apples and pears is entirely centred in the south of England, although the northern outpost for producing these fruits commercially is in the Nottingham area. The farther north one markets apples the greater the demand for a rosier hue. Nothing arouses the dour Scot more quickly than a rich, red Worcester Pearmain. "The flesh is white, crisp, very juicy and sweet, though very early ones may be rather tart."

The yield in the south from private gardens at this time of year comes close to equalling the commercial output—but not necessarily the quality—and this factor clearly defines the growth potential of areas further north. Consequently the tele-

vision advertising has been concentrated in regions in the Midlands and northern parts of the country.

The "commercial" portrays the development of an apple orchard from the snow-covered orchard to the first luscious bite from an equally luscious-looking lass, in 30 seconds flat.

More than 50 apple girls will be calling on 15,000 retail outlets from the end of this month and over 2,500 joint promotions are planned along the High Street. The promoters have sensibly steered clear of "the wearing attire of Nell Gwynne, used so successfully in the promotion of the orange. The apple girls will be dressed in apple (English, of course), green trouser suits. Women shoppers want fruit, not competition.

Growers, too, are throwing open wide their farm gates for orchard visits and lectures—the thought of an English orchard could influence the buying of an English apple at the point-of-sale.

Look out for the seductive Bramley's Seedling, the best known of English cooking apples. "A deep, waxy skin, sometimes with a slight orange-red flush. The flesh is white to creamy white, and is firm, juicy and sharp flavoured."

The campaign has a tight budget. The growers' levy has been stepped up by 25p this year because of inflation. This season's programme will cost £129,000.

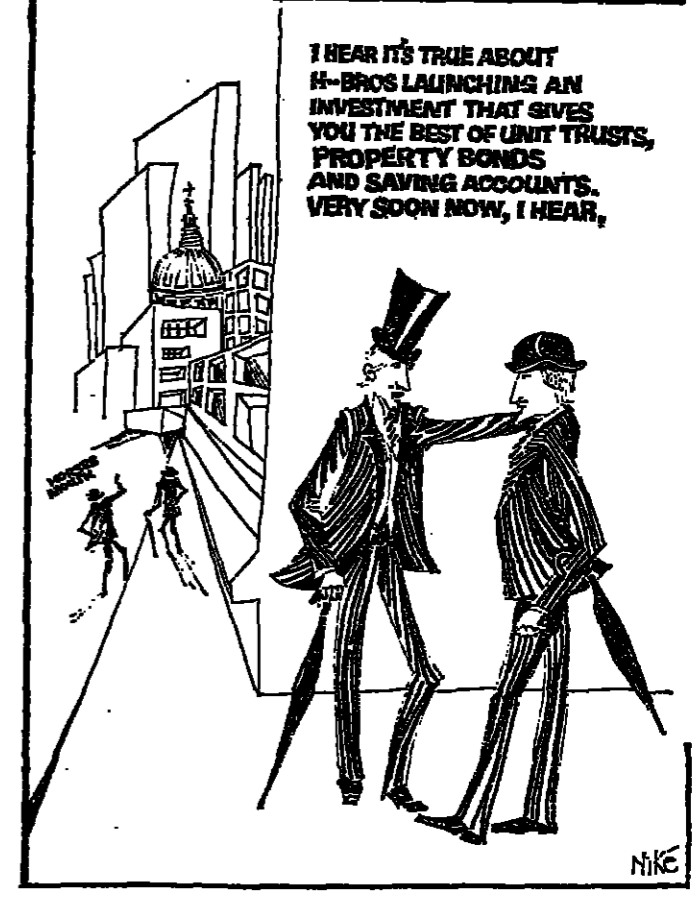
While the growers appear content with the sports-shirted image of the relaxed man down in the leafy orchard they are really fully orientated in the marketing and presentation field. Their quality control and labour relations would be the envy of many a manufacturing group.

The industry is busy assessing the threat of the competition which would arise from the E.E.C. membership, with experts examining reports on the agricultural policies in Europe, particularly in the considerable aid given to fruit growers to increase production such as the irrigation schemes serving the sun-drenched orchards in the Rhône, Provence and Languedoc regions of France.

The British climate at least minimises the need for irrigation. One inch of rain yields 22,000 gallons an acre, and five inches are vital to a good crop.

France and Italy would present the most serious challenges, with apples and pears respectively. The percentage of the population working in agriculture and horticulture in Holland is 7 p.c., Germany 10 p.c., France 17 p.c. and Italy 24 p.c., compared with only 5 p.c. in the United Kingdom, reports the council.

Meanwhile, do you recognise this voluptuous-sounding creation of nature? . . . "medium-sized, with an irregular tapering shape. The skin is clear russet, with pale green showing through, and the flesh when you buy it will probably be firm and nutty-tasting. Ripen it further at home, and it becomes sweeter, juicier, and shows a pink flush." Answer: a Conference pear—English, of course.



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**Charges.** An initial charge of 5% is included in the offer price of units. There is also an annual charge of 3% of the value of your holding. The costs of management, valuation and other expenses of the Fund (including those of buying and selling properties) are borne by the Fund.

**Detailed Information.** An annual report on the Fund and its property holdings will be sent out in July each year, beginning July 1972, to all policyholders.

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**SAVE AND PROSPER GROUP**

# Bovis on target

Extract from the statement by Mr. H. Vincent, Chairman of Bovis Limited, in the Interim Report for the six months ending 30 June, 1971

- \* The half-year profit of £817,000 and the very satisfactory level of current operations reinforces our confidence in achieving the forecast profit of £3.9 million for the full year;
- \* An interim dividend of 8% has been declared on the increased share capital;
- \* A substantial workload has already been secured for 1972, which promises further considerable growth;
- \* Reorganisation of Bovis Corporation in Canada has gone extremely well and, despite an operating deficit during the first six months, an encouraging profit contribution is expected from this source in the current year.
- \* Net proceeds of the recent rights issue amounted to £5.3 million which, together with recent long-term finance arrangements for property development and much improved cash flow, provides a sound financial base for future growth and expansion.

**Bovis: Construction, Housing, Property**

### Thomas Marshall Investments Limited

Highlights of 1970/71

- \* Pre-Tax Profit £621,182 for 15 months against £335,213 for 12 months
- \* Sales £9,591,421 against £5,985,737 for earlier period
- \* Prospects—Dividends totalling 30% forecast for current year

The 1971 Report can be obtained from The Secretary at 18-20 Irwell Street, Manchester, M3 5FW.

# BICC

## SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS — Half-year to 30th June 1971 (based on unaudited figures)

	Half-year to		Year to
	30th June 1971	30th June 1970	31st December 1970
	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>GROUP SALES</b> to outside customers			
United Kingdom	107,000	113,000	228,000
Exports	31,000	34,000	69,000
Sales by Overseas Companies	70,000	79,000	162,000
	208,000	226,000	459,000
<b>OPERATING PROFIT</b>	16,974	14,072	30,043
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME</b>	31	61	107
<b>FINANCE CHARGES</b>	17,005	14,133	30,150
	3,615	3,754	7,613
<b>PRE-TAX PROFIT</b>	13,390	10,379	22,537
<b>TAXATION</b>	6,335	4,835	10,464
<b>AFTER-TAX PROFIT</b>	7,055	5,544	12,073
<b>EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS</b>	269	527	660
	7,324	6,071	12,733
<b>PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDING COMPANY</b>	5,641	4,214	9,148
<b>EARNINGS PER SHARE</b>	5.36p	4.28p	9.30p
<b>PRE-TAX PROFIT</b> Per £1 net assets employed	5.64p	5.00p	9.96p
<b>ORDINARY DIVIDENDS (GROSS)</b>			
Rate	Interim 5.0%	Interim 4.5%	Year 14.0%
Per 50p Share	2.50p	2.25p	7.00p

### NOTES

#### 1. OPERATING PROFIT

	Half-year to		Year to
	30th June 1971	30th June 1970	31st December 1970
	£'000	£'000	£'000
includes—			
Share of Profits of Associated Companies	2,363	1,581	2,613
and is shown after charging—			
Depreciation	5,022	4,784	9,533
Directors' Emoluments	138	118	277

#### 2. TAXATION

	Half-year to		Year to
	30th June 1971	30th June 1970	31st December 1970
	£'000	£'000	£'000
United Kingdom	1,664	827	2,797
Overseas	4,671	4,008	7,667
	6,335	4,835	10,464

The Company is not a "close company" for the purposes of the Finance Act, 1965.

#### 3. EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS

In line with the most up-to-date accounting views, comparative figures have been re-stated so as to charge against Operating Profit and exclude from Exceptional Items the following Reorganisation Expenditure incurred by the Group.

	Half-year to		Year to
	30th June 1971	31st December 1970	31st December 1970
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Charge against Operating Profit	896	1,458	2,354
Tax Relief	369	620	989
Excluded from Exceptional Items	527	838	1,365

The appropriate tax relief has been set off against the Group tax charge. Exceptional Items, as now shown, consist mainly of profits on the disposal of surplus properties and investments.

#### 4. TERSONS LIMITED

The latest accounts of Tersons Limited, for the year to 31st March, 1971, disclose that no further provisions are required against losses and, therefore, the BICC Group Results for the half-year have not been affected.

#### 5. EXCHANGE RATES

The Results for the half-year to 30th June, 1971, have not been materially affected by recent exchange rate adjustments.

### STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

The Rt. Hon. Lord McFadzean, C.A., Companion I.E.E., J.Dip.M.A.

Sales at £208 million are £18 million or some 8% lower in value than for the first 6 months of 1970 due to the lower prices ruling for metals and for copper in particular, the average price of the latter being around 30% less than for the corresponding period of last year.

Our overseas operations have continued to make progress and our operations at home have come up to our best expectations with Group Operating Profit at £17 million showing an improvement of some 20% over the 6 months to 30th June, 1970. Share of Profits of Associated Companies has increased by almost £2.8 million to £2.4 million. Other vital factors have been the continuation and, indeed, expansion of the same favourable reasons which contributed to our growth of profit in 1970, namely, a steady demand for our products; the benefit of our very heavy capital expenditure in recent years; a still higher overall efficiency; and good Industrial Relations to the achievement of which I pay a richly deserved tribute to our Management and our people.

Finance Charges are slightly lower at £3.6 million, the substantial savings through lower overdrafts and interest rates having more than offset the higher total charge for the dollar financing of our shareholding in General Cable Corporation, which charge only applied for part of the first 6 months of 1970.

In line with our improved Earnings, Taxation has risen by £1.5 million to £6.3 million but there have also been some changes in the composition of this item. In brief the beneficial effects of the lower rates now applying in the U.K. have been offset by the higher provisions necessary in certain overseas countries resulting in an overall rate of tax on Group Profits of 47.3% as compared with 46.4% for the whole of 1970.

As explained in the "Notes" on the Accounts we have in line with the most up-to-date thinking on accounting practice, altered the treatment of certain items previously dealt with as Exceptional. This has only involved the re-allocation of certain expend-

iture to different headings and does not affect the final available profits.

Profit attributable to Ordinary Shareholders—the figure of real interest to our Members—is £5.57 million, an improvement of some 34% over the corresponding period of 1970 and a further encouraging step to the return we simply must earn to ensure the continued development of this Group.

Out of such Profit an Interim Dividend has been declared of 2.50p. (last year 2.25p.) per 50p. share payable, less income tax, on 19th November, 1971, to Ordinary Shareholders registered in the books on 15th October, 1971.

Notice has been received from General Cable Corporation of their intention under the Agreement dated 28th January, 1970 (a summary of which accompanied my letter of 20th February, 1970) to exercise their option to subscribe for a further 5,642,000 shares on 23rd September, which will bring their holding in BICC up to some 11%. The proceeds of this, amounting to £7,898,000, will be utilised to reduce further the dollar borrowing made against BICC's purchase of shares in General Cable to some £26 million. Under the terms of the above Agreement these further shares being acquired by General Cable will rank for one-quarter of the total dividend paid by BICC for 1971.

As I write this Statement it is too early to assess with any assurance the final effects of recent events in the foreign exchange field and measures announced in the U.S.A., quite apart from the momentous decision facing this country regarding the Common Market. We have, however, made a very good start to 1971 and as progress is being maintained, your Directors are confident that the results for the year as a whole should achieve the overall improvement which I forecast in my last Annual Statement.

McFADZEAN,  
Chairman.

Group Head Office,  
London,  
21st September, 1971.

### BRITISH INSULATED CALLENDER'S CABLES LIMITED

## FAMILY MONEY-GO-ROUND



### Horse-handling in the land of Plaid Cymru

A DILAPIDATED van standing lopsidedly on its flattened tyres serves a double purpose at the entrance to a remote mountain-side farmhouse. It houses a large alaskan dog and at the same time lets the hired searcher know that he need look no farther for Green Acres.

There is little to help the stranger find his way about the sparsely populated region. Few foreigners can comprehend the tongue-twisting place names. Road signs in English have either been torn from their moorings or daubed over with paint.

For this is the land of Plaid Cymru. And the address on the van's side is the only part of the English language for miles around with any hope of permanence.

The vehicle may well have escaped the attentions of the daubers out of a healthy respect for its owner's reputation as a fighting man. But a more likely reason is that he is an undisputed Welshman.

The van belongs to ex-professional boxer Jimmy Allsopp. He also owns the incidentals that go with it—the large motorised farmhouse with the surprisingly English name of Green Acres Hall, 60 acres of surrounding land and, at the last domestic census, 51 horses of varying dimensions.

The total inventory adds up to a business set-up that would probably make a management consultant take to lay preaching, but which is doing quite nicely just the same.

Jimmy Allsopp hasn't got round to cost/production analysis, and his time and motion is geared to the leisurely pace of a well-fed Welsh pony.

At their lonely farm on the lavender-scented mountain, Jimmy and his wife Eileen run a riding school and pony treks for visitors. Throughout the season the house accommodates about 20 guests for horseback holidays.

Much of the day-to-day business comes from parties of Boy Scouts and other youth organisations—anything up to 30 a time—and families holidaying in the area, so that all the horses are kept busy at 70 an hour.

To call Green Acres a farm is something of a misnomer. It is more like a ranch, for none of the land is under cultivation. All of it is used for grazing the horses.

As a professional boxer Jimmy Allsopp's name never set the National Sporting Club alight, but boxing fans of the early 1950s in the Liverpool and Birkenhead area, where he had some of his biggest successes, and many others farther afield, still contend that he was the best of his day at his weight.

Jimmy Allsopp fought as both a middle and a light heavyweight. He started boxing in 1947, and in 1948-49 represented Britain as an amateur against Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Belgium and France. In the London Olympics he reached the quarter-finals before being beaten by George Hunter of South Africa.



Jimmy Allsopp with one of his 51 horses.

Bangor-born Jimmy, now aged 42, had 500 fights as an amateur, representing Wales on several occasions, before he turned professional in 1950.

As a professional he slugged his way to within fingertip distance of the big money. "I was regarded as No. 2 contender for Randolph Turpin's British title. My manager offered to fight him for nothing, but they would not agree even to an exhibition contest," he claims.

Of 25 professional fights in two years he lost only three. Two of these defeats were in the ring. The third floored his career for good. His opponent this time was not susceptible to right hooks and left jabs. It was the creeping enemy of all athletes—weight—which finally forced him to hang up his gloves.

"But," says Jimmy, "it was great while it lasted." And averaging £300 a fight, which wasn't pin money in those days, he lived in a style to match, but always with an eye to the future. A good part of his earnings he invested in the stock market. When he retired from the ring he tried his hand at running dance halls and as a scrap and car dealer.

Ten years ago he returned to his native North Wales, and took over Green Acres—it can be reached with determination

and a compass bearing from a village called Tregarth—and went back to his old skill, horse-handling.

Horseman Jimmy's string would set off no rustling of cheque books at the Newmarket sales, but these docile Welsh ponies are great favourites with children. He breeds, breaks and trains them himself.

And giving the impression that he is rather surprised by it all, he finds himself in a potentially lucrative branch of the leisure industry. But apart from some modest thoughts about starting an indoor riding school, Jimmy Allsopp has no burning ambition for riches: "I prefer to make friends rather than make money."

As he spoke a family up from Liverpool for a day's riding burst through the door out of the pouring rain. They spread their intended picnic lunch on the sitting-room table while they waited hopefully for the sun to shine. Eileen Allsopp supplied free hot drinks.

For Green Acres is an open house, and as long as Jimmy Allsopp lives there, it will never be the home of a millionaire. He and his wife have two main affections—animals and people. Money comes low on their list of priorities.

Joe Irving

## Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group

### Interim Statement

The Directors have declared an interim dividend, in respect of the year 1971, of 4p per share (less income tax) (1970, interim 3.5p, final 4.5p, total 8p) to be paid on the 6th December, 1971, to the Ordinary Shareholders on the register on 22nd October, 1971. The results (unaudited) for the first half-year 1971 are as follows:

	First 6 months of 1971	First 6 months of 1970	Year 1970
	£m.	£m.	£m.
<b>Investment Income</b>	8.0	7.1	15.2
<b>Less interest payable</b>	1.1	1.1	2.2
	6.9	6.0	13.0
<b>Life and Redemption</b>			
Assurance Profit	.8	.8	1.8
Fire and Accident	2.1	(.3)	(2.1)
Marine	.2	.2	.7
	10.0	6.7	13.4
<b>Less Pensions, Expenses, etc.</b>	1.5	1.3	2.5
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	8.5	5.4	10.9
<b>Less taxation</b>	2.1	1.6	2.1
	6.4	3.8	8.8
<b>Premiums</b>			
Fire and Accident	91.9	81.0	173.7
Marine	11.2	10.9	25.9
	103.1	91.9	199.6

#### Life New Business

New Sums Assured	368.0	330.0	674.4
New Annuities per annum	5.3	2.9	7.1
New Annual Premiums	5.3	4.0	8.7
New Single Premiums	5.3	3.7	8.8

#### Capital

Subscription rights under £4,830,705 of Series 'A' Loan Stock were exercised on 30th June, 1971, creating 1,541,962 new ordinary shares. This increase in capital, together with the increase arising from the acquisition of Metropolitan Railway Group Estates Limited will raise the cost of the annual dividend (at 8p per share) from £5.9m to £6.2m. The figures for the half-year 1971 do not include earnings from these sources.

#### Fire, Accident and Marine

A useful improvement has been achieved in Fire, Motor and Accident Insurance. Premium income has developed well, through substantial rate increases in many parts of the world and through new business development. Home business overall is profitable despite the effects of rising prices. The trends in Germany and Canada are improving, and elsewhere overseas, results are generally satisfactory.

The closing of the 1969 Marine account should produce a similar profit to that reported last year.

The Life account continues its steady expansion.

22nd September, 1971



Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Limited  
Royal Exchange, London EC3P 3DN

### WILKINS & MITCHELL LIMITED

Manufacturers of WILKINS & MITCHELL power presses and SERVIS washing machines

The following are extracts from the circulated statement of the Chairman, Mr. J. C. Wilkins:

The year under review has been one of considerable activity which unfortunately is not truly reflected in the Group Turnover which has only increased by 8%. The full realisation of the anticipated turnover was marred by an inter-union dispute which resulted in a strike lasting almost seven weeks.

The Group Profit before taxation of £540,217 is very disappointing. The situation arose not only from the fact that the Group was unable to realise its forecasted turnover, but also due to the continuation of rising costs throughout the year.

**SERVIS WASHING MACHINE DIVISION:** We were unable to maintain our share of the Home Market during the period under review but this position has now been rectified. Towards the latter end of the year we introduced a Compact Tumbler Dryer which has been well received. Exports once again increased and the Service Department continues to make satisfactory progress. The division can only benefit from the Chancellor's reduction of purchase tax and the abolition of hire purchase restrictions.

**WILKINS SERVIS PTY. LIMITED:** Our Australian subsidiary has had a successful year and is well placed to maintain its growth.

**WILKINS & MITCHELL POWER PRESS AND MACHINE TOOL DIVISION:** In spite of the great difficulties in the Power Press and Machine Tool Industry as a whole, this division has maintained a reasonable order book. Additional production facilities are now working satisfactorily and should enable us to take full advantage of any future improvement in this trade.

## SEAFIELD AMALGAMATED RUBBER COMPANY LIMITED

### you should reject

the Revised Offer from  
Sime Darby Holdings Limited

#### CAPITAL

Your Malaysian Estates alone are worth £19,950,000 equivalent to 75p per Share

This is substantially in excess of the Revised Offer. The value of the Sime Darby shares, which carry no effective voting rights (over one third of the package), is not underwritten and is vulnerable.

#### INCOME

All U.K. Shareholders would suffer a reduction in net income—particularly serious for those requiring franked investment income.

#### PERFORMANCE

Over the five years ended September, 1970, Seafield's post-tax profits have grown by 85 per cent—those of Sime Darby by 64 per cent.

For the year to 30th September, 1971, your directors forecast record profits before tax of £2,125,000 in a year when rubber prices have been at their lowest for over 20 years.

### Seafield's growth should continue

If you stay with Seafield you avoid capital gains tax problems and double taxation with its complications. Control remains in London and not Singapore.

### SIME DARBY'S OFFER FALLS FAR SHORT OF THE INTRINSIC VALUE OF YOUR COMPANY. YOUR DIRECTORS STRONGLY ADVISE YOU TO REJECT THE REVISED OFFER

A duly authorised committee of the Board of Seafield have considered all statements of fact and opinion contained in this advertisement and accept, individually and collectively, responsibility for the accuracy of all such statements so far as they relate to Seafield or its subsidiaries or Directors and confirm that, to the best of their knowledge, information and belief, no material factors or considerations in relation thereto have been omitted.

Full circular letter posted to shareholders Friday, 24th September.

### J. E. ENGLAND AND SONS (WELLINGTON) LTD.

The Directors of J. E. England and Sons (Wellington) Ltd. have declared an interim dividend of 7½% actual for the year ending 31st December, 1971, representing 375p per share less tax, payable on 1st November, 1971.

Interim Report for the six months ended 30th June, 1971: Profits before taxation (unaudited) £56,555 (£110,495).

While the Company maintained its tonnage turnover in the first six months of the current year, prices and margins continue to be adversely affected by the record surplus production of potatoes referred to in the Chairman's Statement in April. The Directors anticipate, however, that the profits in the second half of the current year will not be less than those for the second half of 1970.

### MAP OF EUROPE



Shows major roads and railways, air distances from London and steamer routes. Inset map shows Europe in its context. Obtainable through book-sellers, or send 3p (cheque or P.O.) to Dept. E.M., Daily Telegraph, 155, Fleet Street, London, E.C.1.

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BRIGADIER GERARD SHOULD BEAT OFF RENCH RAIDER

By HOTSPUR (Peter Scott) DICTUS, with everything to gain and little to lose, has come from France for a Queen Elizabeth II Stakes clash with Brigadier Gerard...

Brigadier Gerard's 2,000 Guineas defeat of Mill Reef by My Swallow has been his most famous victory, but in beating Gold Rod by 10 lengths in the Goodwood...

important mile test and I nap Yaroslav to make it seven. Yaroslav, a half-brother by Santa Claus to Altesse Royale, favourably impressed when beating some smart previous winners...

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Ascot Jackpot card

STEWARDS: Mr T. Blackwell, Mr R. Stanley, Sir R. McAlpine, Lord Purchaser, Mr J. Baillie, Lt-Col J. Hornum, Brig C. Harvey, Major M. Wyatt, Mr R. Richmond-Watson, Mr B. Jenks, Mr M. Armitage.

Racecard number (Jackpot prefix in light type) is shown on left, this season's form figures in black. Apprentices' allowances in brackets. C—course winner. D—distance winner. N—beaten favourite. Draw for places on right.

Advance official going: GOOD to FIRM. EFFECT OF DRAW: High numbers best on round course.

ALL RACES FROM STALLS.

2.0 (Jackpot Prefix 1): BLUE SEAL STAKES 2-Y-O Fillies Value to winner £2,156 8f (18 declared) 101 01 APRICOT CARPET (Mr C. Berlin, D. Marks, 8-12 P. Madden 10)

2.25 (Prefix 2): QUEEN ELIZABETH II STAKES £5,511 1m (Round) (5, Straight Forecast) 201 412421 DICTUS (Mr J. M. Sisson, R. de Mont-Pellier, France)

3.5 (Prefix 5): GOLDEN GATES NURSERY 2-Y-O £1,623 6f (10, Dual Forecast) 204 40112 FAIR SOUNDNESS (Mr Miss E. M. Gaiter, R. Smyth, 8-11)

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Shady Fellow (Geff Lewis) winning the Miss Selfridge Stakes at Ascot yesterday from Parsimony and Touch Paper (on rails).

Another century for Lewis

By MARLBOROUGH (John Oaksey) WITH three more winners at Ascot yesterday Geoff Lewis passed his century for the third successive year.

Both he and Mill Reef are in peak form for the most important day of their respective lives tomorrow week.

The form of Crowned Prince's Champion Stakes is working out undeniably well. Fireflight, fifth at Doncaster, won a hot nursery at Redcar last week and now Mr George Pope's Shady Fellow made no mistake in the Miss Selfridge Stakes.

This handsome American colt (by Sir Ivor's sire Sir Gaylord) was the only one who even attempted to match strides with Crowned Prince in the first half of the Champagne and the effort cost him probably cost him second place.

Lengthened stride Now, with no opponent of comparable speed, he was always nicely placed and when Parsimony and Touch Paper looked dangerous a furlong out, Shady Fellow lengthened his stride decisively.

This was Geoff Lewis's 100th winner of the season and his next ride, Joliss in the Matus Rose Stakes, gave him even less cause for anxiety or exertion. Cruising past the four other horses, she furlongs out, she had all her

rivals struggling well before the end. Affected, like all Tommy Gooch's horses, by a virus infection during the summer, Joliss was turned out to grass for six weeks' convalescence. She is as a result, fresh and raring to go, and an 8lb penalty for this valuable win won't necessarily deter Gooch from training her in the St. Leger's Irish Sweeps Cambridgehire if she recovers quickly.

With these two victories under his belt, Lewis set Meissen buildy turned out for the home season, hope and Goffs Stakes and a gelding designed to stretch his rivals all the way.

Under pressure No doubt they expected him to come back but, halfway up the straight, as Windrush came under pressure, it was clear that Meissen had been fatally underestimated.

While Lewis was enjoying himself, Lester Piggott, by contrast, was having one of his less satisfactory afternoons. Going for a gap on the rails with Comely Star, he was knocked clean out of the Matus Rose Stakes and I, for one, found his tactics on Sir Ivor's Meissen's race more than a little hard to understand.

There may have been some good reason for course, but Savoy turned from home to lead right lengths behind the leader and from that position to challenge — as Lester did along the rails — was distinctly optimistic.

In fact, his efforts to get past Sea and Drishane gave rise to a stewards' inquiry, but the only one really entitled to complain was Savoy, who had to work out necessarily hard for third place and deserved better.

Slitri surprise Finally the Lord's Taverners' 21st birthday was celebrated discreetly, with odds of 5-1 laid on her, Slitri was beaten fair and square into third place behind Taramos.

A routine dope test was ordered but Bruce Hobbs accepted Slitri's defeat philosophically. The injury which prevented her from running at York may have left some affect or, more likely, she is simply over the hill. Slitri will run again this season but Taramos may turn out for the Dewhurst Stakes.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS All engagements: La Miranda Fruit Colours.

TODAY'S ASCOT SELECTIONS

Table with columns: HOTSUR, COURSE CORR., FORM. Rows include Brigadier Gerard, Magic Flute, Yaroslav, etc.

HOTSPUR'S DOUBLE—Magic Flute and Yaroslav.

MARLBOROUGH—Brigadier Gerard (2.55); Yaroslav, 4.55. NEWMARKET NAT.—Yaroslav (4.5).

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Paddy Prendergast and Lester Piggott, trainer and jockey of Calve, strongly fancied for the Blue Seal Stakes (2.0).

3.35 (Prefix 4): DIADEM STAKES £5,888 6f (7, Dual Forecast) 401 00204 APOLLO NINE (Mr J. M. Sisson, P. Nason, 4-9-7)

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# GEORGE IN ARSENAL SQUAD AFTER SPEEDY RECOVERY

By ROBERT OXBY

CHARLIE GEORGE, the Arsenal inside-forward, who had a cartilage operation only six weeks ago, is expected to return to First Division duty against Leicester at Highbury today. George is one of Arsenal's squad of 13.

This remarkable recovery is not only a tribute to the resilience of Arsenal's F.A. Cup final hero but to the back-room staff at Highbury. Clearly the club's medical and training facilities have been far from damaged by the summer changes of staff.

## LEAGUE GAMES TODAY

Kick-off 3 unless stated.

DIVISION I	
Arsenal v Leicester	
Crystal Palace v Everton	
Derby Co. v W.B.A.	
Burton v Leeds	
Ipswich v Newcastle	
Liverpool v Manchester City	
Sheff. Wed. v Southampton	
West Ham v Stoke	
Wolverhampton v Notts. For.	
DIVISION II	
Blackpool v Birmingham	
Bristol v Norwich	
Cardiff v Swindon	
Carlisle v Hull	
Charlton v Burnley	
Fulham v Orient	
Luton v Aldershot	
Sheff. Wed. v Sheff. Wed.	
Preston v Millwall	
Queen's Pk. Sp. v Watford	
Sunderland v Preston N.E.	
DIVISION III	
Aston Villa v Wrexham	
Barnsley v Rochdale (3.15)	
Blackburn Rovers v Swansea	
Bournemouth v Chesterfield	
Bradford City v Shrewsbury	
Manchester City v Bristol Rovers	
Oldham v Plymouth Argyle (3.15)	
Preston v Halifax (3.15)	
Torquay v Brighton	
York v Walsall	
DIVISION IV	
Aldershot v Southport	
Bury v Exeter (3.15)	
Chester v Brentford (3.15)	
Crewe v Reading	
Darlington v Newport	
Doncaster v Southend	
Grimby v Stockport	
Hartlepool v Barrow	
Lincoln v Cambridge Utd.	
Northampton v Colchester	
Peterborough v Gillingham	
SCOTTISH LEAGUE—Div I	
Aberdeen v Celtic	
Clyde v East Fife	
Dundee v Hearts	
Dunfermline v Motherwell	
Hibernian v Ayr	
Kilmarnock v Dundee	
Partick Thistle v Rangers	
Rangers v Aberdeen	
St. Johnstone v Falkirk	
Division II	
Brechin City v Cowdenbeath	
Clydebank v Arbroath	
E. Stirling v Queen of South	
Forfar v St. Mirren	
Hamilton v Berwick	
Raith Rovers v Dumfries	
Stenhousemuir v Montrose	
Stirling Albion v Albion Rovers	
Stranraer v Queen's Park	
AMATEUR XI NAMED	
The F.A. amateur team to meet the Army at Aldershot military stadium on Oct. 5 is:	
1. Trotter (Aldershot)	
2. Smith (Aldershot)	
3. Jones (Aldershot)	
4. Brown (Aldershot)	
5. White (Aldershot)	
6. Black (Aldershot)	
7. Green (Aldershot)	
8. Grey (Aldershot)	
9. White (Aldershot)	
10. Black (Aldershot)	
11. Green (Aldershot)	
12. Grey (Aldershot)	



Ian St. John, who makes his Coventry debut today and (right) Jon Samuels, of Leicester, who faces the barrackers responsible for his leaving Highbury.

## RESHUFFLE FORCED ON BRISTOL C.

By ROGER MALONE

BRISTOL CITY may have to alter the new-look team which has brought them such an improvement this season for their top-of-the-table home game with Norwich.

New midfield man Emanuel will take a late test on a damaged ankle, and if he cannot play Fear will drop back to midfield and Spiring will come in as a striker.

## WYLIE PROMOTED

Ron Wylie has been upgraded from coach to assistant manager, but will continue with his coaching duties.

## 4 BRITONS UP WITH LEADERS

By J. B. WADLEY

After two days' hard and fast racing from Montreal to Quebec, the five-day Tour de la Nouvelle France began the return journey along the North bank of the St. Lawrence River to Trois-Rivieres.

## GOWLAND HEADS STRONG ENTRY

By DAVID SAUNDERS

The Southport Gala Critérium tomorrow has attracted a class entry for the many events.

## OTHER SPORT AT WEEKEND

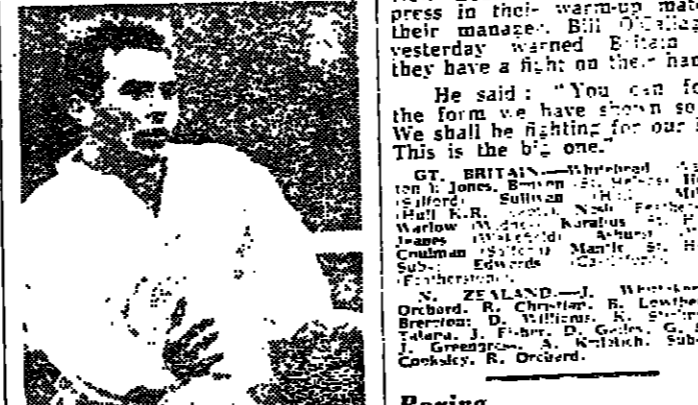
ATHLETICS.—Short Troop (Southport) will be competing at the Southport Gala Critérium tomorrow.

## Wales B have pack to worry Canada

By JOHN MASON

CANADA'S rugby players, whose determination, enthusiasm and boundless energy has great impressed many judges who set high standards in these matters, play the first major representative match of the season at St. Helen's, Swansea, today.

Their opponents are Wales B, and having won the first two matches of the Welsh section of their European tour, the Canadians have given due warning of their abilities.



Keith Fielding, new-comer in the Leicester side at Twickenham.

## RUGBY LEAGUE WILLIAMS 18 PLAYS IN FIRST TEST

DENNIS WILLIAMS celebrates his 18th birthday today by making his debut for New Zealand in the first Rugby League Test against Britain at Saleford.

## RUDDIN MISSES TITLE FIGHT

Alan Rudkin is unable to defend his British and Empire bantamweight titles against John Kellie at the Royal Albert Hall on Oct. 5 because of an elbow injury.

## RUGBY UNION FIXTURES

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH	
Wales B v Canada (at Swansea)	
CLUB MATCHES	
Birkenhead Pk. v Manchester	
Cardiff v Aberystwyth	
London Welsh v Met. Police	
Conventry v Sale	
Exeter v Bath (3.15)	
Gloucester v Bristol (3.15)	
Leicester v Wakefield	
Northampton v Bedford	
Pontypool v Glamorgan Wds.	
Rugby v Newport	
Swansea v Cardiff	
Torquay v Exeter	
Worcester v Gloucester	

# Two late tries give England edge over tenacious Japanese

By JOHN REASON in Osaka

ENGLAND somehow found the strength in a temperature of 90 degrees to score two tries in the last five minutes and beat a thoroughly well organised Japanese team at Osaka.

England won because they managed to make three tries out of opposition mistakes, but they found it impossible to make progress from set play because of the speed and tenacity of the Japanese tackling.

Even a runner as powerful as Jeremy Janion was knocked backwards when going in hard from a scrum five yards from the line.

Japan played very well indeed. They were less of a ball than England, but they scored the two tries of the match and when they got into the open they were each other up with a scrum which was a mistake on the part of the English.

The Japanese were vulnerable to the kick which was used to break the scrum. They were probably wasted their time and their energies in the first 20 minutes by playing an

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# SEATON'S CHANCE OF GOLD

By ROY STANDING

IN Paul Seaton and Ian Walker, sixth and 10th respectively in the work championships jumping a Banolas last week, Britain have outstanding prospects for a European gold medal at Canzo, Italy, this weekend.

Although the European over-championships were decided Banolas, 12 men and six women qualifiers for each of the four individual disciplines—figure slalom and jumping—like the battle again at Canzo.

Britain's strength—some say because of inconsistent weather conditions—has always been well served by its specialists. Walker won a British and European gold medal at Canzo last year, clearing 139-5ft and 141-5ft. Both he and Seaton are capable of doing considerably better than that and are anxious to have the spur of Banolas success behind them.

The danger, as usual, is from Roby Zucchi. He is overall champion last year though it will conceivably have escaped Seaton's net that Zucchi has scored 10 European gold medals by one-third of point in 1,000.

Diene Kirby is a third Brit jumping qualifier, though for her Britain is probably not ready to challenge the versatile Maurice (Holland), Wim (Stable) and (France) and Beninger (Germany) in the figures. A medal for Kirby would be a big achievement.

## BRITAIN SEEK HAT-TRICK

By A Special Correspondent

British hopes of winning European water skiing championships rest with the third in succession rest with Hardy of Hunstanton, who tomorrow takes on Bruno Cas of Italy, in the final race of the series.

This is the British Grand Prix at the Varna Boat Club, a stone-throw from the European and British Water Ski Federation championships series.

It has attracted an entry which includes teams from Italy, Italy and possibly Germany. Hardy has 52 points with two races, one in Canzo and one in Varna. He is only skier who can defeat Italian.

The race, sponsored by Fleiter Marine, also decides British junior and overall champion John Harvey of Chawesha, currently leading Terence N. (Varna) and Chris Hansant, Kent, by only 12 points.

## SEAR THE IDEAL SUBSTITUTE

Sid Sear, substituting for Sid Johns, partnered R. French to an 18-15 victory over S. Geddes and P. Jull in the finals of the Broadstairs open bowls tournament.

Leading steadily, he made a significant contribution to the team's success. Then, when Geddes and Jull twice recovered to within one shot, Sear remained steady.

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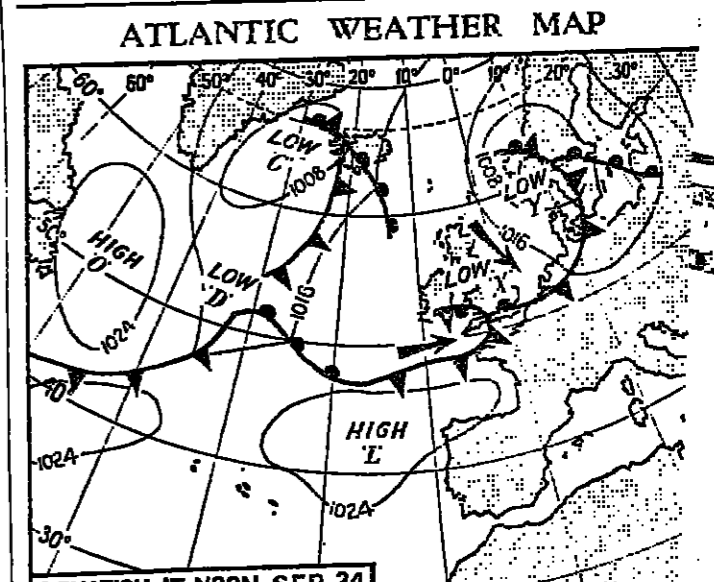
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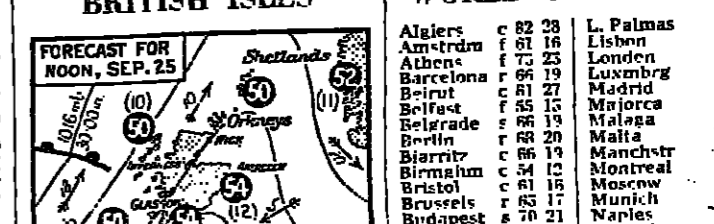
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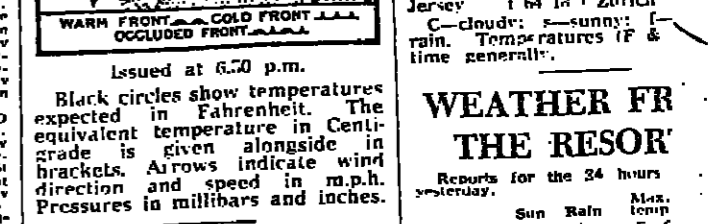
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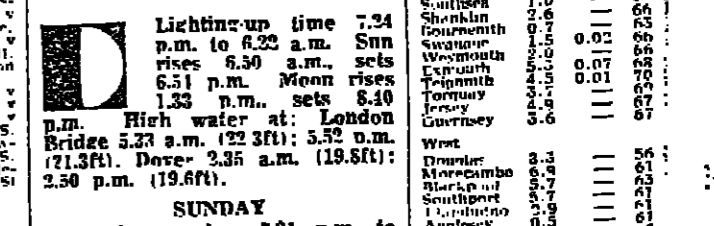
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